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DAVID A. ELLIS.

Term Expires January, 1908.

THOMAS J. KENNY. WILLIAM S. KENNY.

Term Expires January, 1909.

GEORGE E. BROCK. JAMES J. STORROW.

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Proceedings of School Committee.

January 1, 1906.

The meeting for the organization of the School Committee of the City of Boston for this municipal year was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, on Monday, January 1, 1906, being the first Monday in said month, at 4 o'clock P.M.

The Board was called to order by Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the senior member.

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SECRETARY PRO TEM.

The Chair requested the Secretary of the former Board to act as Secretary pro tem.

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MEMBERS-ELECT OF SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

The following communication was read:—

Board of Election Commissioners,
Old Court House, Court Square,
Boston, December 21, 1905.

Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary, School Committee, Mason Street, Boston, Mass.

Sir: We hereby certify that, as appears by the records of the votes cast for members of the School Committee, at the Municipal Election held on the twelfth instant in the City of Boston, the following named persons were duly elected:—

For three years—George E. Brock, James J. Storrow.

For two years—Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny.

For one year—David A. Ellis.

John M. Minton,
Melancthon W. Burlen,
David B. Shaw,
Alpheus Sanford,
Board of Election Commissioners.

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All of the aforesaid members were present.

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ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN.

The Chair stated the first business in order was the election of a Chairman, and directed the Secretary pro tem to call the roll.

The members as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

FOR JAMES J. STORROW: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, and William S. Kenny—4.

FOR THOMAS J. KENNY: Mr. Storrow—1.

The Chair announced that James J. Storrow having received the necessary number of votes, was duly elected Chairman of the Board.

The Chairman assumed the chair.

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ELECTION OF SECRETARY.

The Chair stated that the next business in order was the election of a Secretary, and directed the Secretary pro tem to call the roll.

The members as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

FOR THORNTON D. APOLLONIO: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny, and Storrow—5.

The Chair declared Thornton D. Apollonio elected as Secretary of the Board.

SECRETARY QUALIFIED.

The Secretary of the Board qualified as Secretary of the Corporation, taking the oath of office.

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ELECTION OF AUDITING CLERK.

The Chair stated that the next business in order was the election of an Auditing Clerk, and directed the Secretary to call the roll.

The members as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

FOR WILLIAM J. PORTER: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny, and Storrow—5.

The Chair declared William J. Porter elected as Auditing Clerk.

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ELECTION OF TREASURER.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny the Board proceeded to the election of a Treasurer of the Corporation, the same member nominating for that office, Mr. George E. Brock.

The Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll.

The members as their names were called, respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

FOR GEORGE E. BROCK: Messrs. Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny, and Storrow—4.

FOR THOMAS J. KENNY: Mr. Brock—1.

The Chair declared George E. Brock elected as Treasurer of the Corporation.

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RULES DISCUSSED.

The Board proceeded to discuss a set of rules, action thereon being deferred to a future meeting.

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REGULATIONS NOT INVOLVING EXPENDITURE OF MONEY ADOPTED.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the regulations of the public schools of last year, which do not involve the expenditure of money be adopted for the current year until otherwise ordered, provided, however, that no such regulation shall require more than a majority vote for its passage.

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REGULATIONS INVOLVING EXPENDITURE OF MONEY ADOPTED.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the regulations of the public schools of last year, which involve the expenditure of money, be adopted for the current year until otherwise ordered, provided, however, that no such regulation shall require more than a majority vote for its passage.

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RULES FOR JANITORS, ENGINEERS AND MATRONS ADOPTED.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Rules for Janitors, Engineers and Matrons of the Public Schools, and Regulations Governing the Use of School Buildings of last year, be adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS FOR TRUANT OFFICERS ADOPTED.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the rules and regulations for the truant officers in effect last year, be adopted for the present year until otherwise ordered.

RETIREMENT OF ALVAH H. PETERS.

The following communication was read:—

Boston, Mass., Jan. 1, 1906.

To the Honorable the School Committee of the City of Boston.

Gentlemen: Having been connected with the School Committee as Messenger and Assistant for a period of 38 years, I find that it will be impossible for me to continue, on account of business affairs and I would most respectfully ask that my name be not considered as a candidate for the present year.

Very respectfully,
Alvah H. Peters.

Placed on file.

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RESIGNATION OF STRATTON D. BROOKS.

The following communication was read:—

Boston, December 30, 1905.

To the School Committee, Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen: I desire to discontinue my work as Supervisor of the public schools of Boston January first, 1906, and hereby tender my resignation.

Respectfully yours,
Stratton D. Brooks.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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REPAIRS UPON MASON STREET BUILDING.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to inform this Board whether or not in his opinion repairs and alterations upon the building situated on Mason street, and occupied by the School Committee, should be made by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, and the cost thereof charged to the general appropriation for repairs and alterations of school buildings made by the School Committee, and expended by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

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REDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report to this Board at its next meeting a statement setting forth what reduction in expenses can be effected without detriment to the school system, and if a full report cannot be prepared within the time herein stated, that a partial report be submitted, to be supplemented from week to week until the Board of Supervisors is satisfied that it has fully complied with the terms and spirit of this request.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to formulate and report to this Board a plan whereby the appointment and promotion of instructors shall be made in accordance with civil service rules, due weight being given in cases of appointment to the results of written examinations, and in cases of promotion to length and character of service.

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CARE OF SCHOOL HOUSE FLOORS.

The following communication was presented:—

City of Boston,
In School Committee, June 13, 1905.

The Committee on School Houses, to whom was referred—Apr. 25—a petition on behalf of the Boston Primary Teachers' Association, that provision be made for having the school rooms swept more than twice a week, and washed more frequently than they are at present, report that they have granted a hearing thereon and have carefully considered the entire subject of cleaning school buildings. It appears upon investigation that Boston does not exact as high a standard of cleanliness in its rules for janitors as is required in other sections of the country. In twenty other large cities the school rooms are swept daily as compared with twice a week in Boston. In many of these twenty cities the floors of school rooms are scrubbed once a month, or ten times a year. In other cities the scrubbings are less frequent, but usually in excess of the former requirement in Boston, viz., once a year. In February, 1904, this Board abolished the rule requiring an annual scrubbing during the summer vacation, which had been in force for many years, thus relieving the janitors of an amount of work of an approximate value of $3300 for which they are paid under the present schedule of salaries. In March of the present year a rule was adopted that floors paved with marble, slate or terazzo be washed as frequently as may be necessary to keep them clean. This, however, is but a slight additional requirement, as the area of such floors is but a small percentage of the total floor area of our school buildings.

Your committee are strongly of the opinion that a high standard of cleanliness in school buildings should be maintained, but this is largely a question of expense. If the finances of the School Committee would warrant such action, your committee would recommend that all rooms used for class purposes, corridors, stairways and sanitaries be swept each day, that such floors be scrubbed at least three times a year, and that windows be washed inside and out at least three times a year, and on the inside only at least once a month. The present schedule, however, does not include payment for such extra work, and it would be unfair to require the janitors to perform it without additional compensation.

Your committee also believe that if principals and other instructors would pay more attention to enforcing Section 231 of the Regulations, which prescribes that pupils must come to school cleanly in person and dress, and endeavor to discourage the tracking of dirt into school buildings especially in muddy weather, a material improvement in the condition of such premises would not fail to result.

In view of the state of school finances for the current year, your committee cannot hope to obtain a further appropriation to be expended for janitor service. They therefore reluctantly recommend that the request of the petitioners be referred to the next School Board.

Accepted, and the recommendation of the committee adopted.

A true copy.—Attest:
Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the foregoing communication was omitted, and it was laid on the table.

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SALARIES OF JANITORS OF LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSES.

The following communication was read:—

City of Boston,
In School Committee, Nov. 14, 1905.

ORDERED, That the salaries of the janitors of the several buildings owned and occupied by the city as Latin and High Schools, excepting the Mechanic Arts High School-house, shall be established in accordance with the schedule of compensation for janitor service applicable to other school buildings, and adopted by this Board Jan. 5, 1904; provided, however, that the schedule rate of compensation for heating, ventilating and superintendence of the Public Latin School-house shall be

divided as follows: Twenty per centum to the janitor of the Public Latin School-house, and eighty per centum to the janitor of the English High School-house. Such schedule shall take effect Dec. 1, 1905, and continue until otherwise ordered; and the areas used in the determination of such salaries shall be such as shall have been respectively certified by the School-house Custodian, and approved by the Committee on Salaries.

Referred to the next School Board.

A true copy.—Attest:

Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The following communication was read:—

City of Boston,
In School Committee, Dec. 26, 1905.

The vote passed at the meeting of Sept. 12, 1905, whereby the following proposed amendment to the regulations, viz.:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Chapter XXVI. Add the following section to the chapter:—

Sect. 349. The truant officers shall have oversight of licensed minors, and require them to conform to the conditions on which such licenses are granted, reporting all violations of said conditions to the Superintendent, through the chief truant officer.

was referred to the Committee on Truant Officers, was rescinded.

Said amendment was referred to the next School Board.

A true copy.—Attest:

Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

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APPROPRIATIONS AND EXPENDITURES.

The Auditing Clerk submitted the following financial statement:—

Estimates of Appropriations and Expenditures for 1906-1907.

Average valuation, 3 years.....		$1,229,429,222.11
40 cents on each $1,000 for New School Buildings.....		$491,771.69
25 cents on each $1,000 for Repairs..		$307,400.00
Balance for Maintenance.....		$3,380,887.67
Estimated income.....		49,042.68
Balance unexpended for financial year ending January 31, 1906.....		69.65
Total amount available.....		$3,430,000.00
Estimated deficit of previous year..		52,000.00
Balance available.....		$3,378,000.00
Estimated expenses for financial year ending January 31, 1907, provided expenses are continued on present basis:—		
Salaries of Instructors....	$2,758,000	
Salaries of Officers.....	85,000	
Salaries of Janitors.....	231,000	
Fuel and Light.....	168,000	
Supplies and Incidentals..	189,000	
Rents School-house Commission	30,000	
		$3,461,000.00
Estimated deficit January 31, 1907		$83,000.00

Placed on file.

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VACANCY IN SUPERINTENDENCY AND ON BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized to send a communication to the heads of various educational institutions and others, inviting suggestions with respect to suitable candidates to fill the vacancies caused by the death of the late Superintendent and the resignation of a member of the Board of Supervisors.

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AMOUNTS WITHHELD FROM SALARIES OF OFFICERS AND TEACHERS, DECEMBER PAY ROLLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis the question of paying the officers and teachers the amounts withheld from their respective salaries last month, viz.: from Dec. 25 to Dec. 31 inclusive, was specially assigned to the next meeting of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized to issue a circular to the various principals, instructing them to make up the next pay rolls for the month of January only, and informing them that the question of paying the amounts withheld for the month of December, 1905, will be acted upon by the Board as soon as the members can familiarize themselves with the financial situation confronting them.

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MINUTES OF SCHOOL BOARD.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be instructed to take up the matter of the printing and the distribution of the minutes of the Board, and report thereon at the next meeting.

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RECESS.

The Board voted at 6:30 P.M. to take a recess until 8 o'clock.

The members of the Board re-assembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chair at 8:07 o'clock P.M.

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JUVENILE OFFENDERS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be requested to forward a communication to the Chief Justice of the Municipal Court, the Justices of the several District Courts, the Board of Trustees for Children, and Mr. Edward W. Bowker, Visitor of the State Board of Charity, inviting them to attend a special meeting of the Board, which is to be held on Friday, Jan. 5, at 4:30 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of obtaining information concerning the cases of juvenile offenders brought before the city courts.

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TERM OF OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT AND SUPERVISORS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be requested to submit to the Board at its next meeting a draft of a proposed bill extending the term of office of the Superintendent and members of the Board of Supervisors.

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WASHINGTON SCHOOL PUPILS LIVING OUTSIDE OF DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the cases of those pupils attending the Washington School who live outside the lines of that district be referred to the Acting Superintendent and the Supervisor of the district with full powers with respect to the transfer of such pupils to other schools, or their continued attendance in the Washington School.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent, in accordance with the regulations, submitted the names of seven hundred twenty-two minors to be licensed as newsboys, of thirty-seven to be licensed as bootblacks, and of twelve to be licensed as pedlars.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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OFFICE HOURS OF MEMBERS OF BOARD.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be authorized to issue a circular to masters, teachers and others, containing the following announcement:—

For the convenience of the public and of the teaching force, a member of the committee will be present in the Mason street building one hour each afternoon, except Saturdays, when any person who may desire to see personally a member of the committee will be welcome.

These office hours will conform to the following schedule, which takes immediate effect:—

Mondays, 3 to 4 o'clock P.M., Mr. Storrow.

Tuesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 o'clock P.M., Mr. Ellis.

Wednesdays, 4:30 to 5:30 o'clock P.M., Mr. Brock.

Thursdays, 4:30 to 5:30 o'clock P.M. Mr. W. S. Kenny.

Fridays, 4:30 to 5:30 o'clock P.M., Mr. T. J. Kenny.

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NORMAL SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That that part of the Mayor's inaugural address relating to the Normal School (see page 25) be submitted to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and recommendation.

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COMMERCIAL HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That that part of the Mayor's inaugural address relating to a commercial high school (see pages 36-40) be referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and recommendation, and that said Board be further requested to report as to the probable cost of such an institution.

USE OF ASSEMBLY HALL, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Tetlow, Head-master of the Girls' High School, on behalf of the Boston Teachers' Mutual Benefit Assn., for the use of the assembly hall of the Girls' High School-house on Saturday, Jan. 20, 1906, between the hours of 1:30 and 4 P.M. for a meeting of that association.

On motion of Mr. Brock, approved subject to the usual conditions.

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TEACHERS IN EXCESS OF NUMBER AUTHORIZED.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report to this Board at the earliest possible date, and within two weeks, a list of teachers in the service in excess of the rules established by the former Board whose continuance in their present positions is deemed essential to the best interests of the schools.

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APPLICATION FOR SUPERVISORSHIP.

The following communication was read:—

Waban, 1 January, 1906.

Mr. Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary of the School Committee.

Dear Sir: Will you have the kindness, at the proper time, to place before the School Committee this my application to be appointed a Supervisor to fill the vacancy left by Mr. Brooks?

Very truly yours,
Edwin P. Seaver.

Placed on file.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:23 P.M. to meet on Friday, Jan. 5, at 4:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

January 5, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 4:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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JUVENILE OFFENDERS.

The Chairman announced that the Board desired to extend its sincere thanks to the Justices of the Municipal and District Courts, and to representatives of various City and State Boards concerned in the care of minors, and others present, who had accepted an invitation of the Board to attend the meeting for discussion of the question in which the new Board is deeply interested, viz., how the moral influence of the school system over the pupils may be increased, the masters and teachers encouraged to continue a watchful and helpful care over their pupils after they leave school, and to obtain suggestions as to what steps the School Board can take to decrease the number of juvenile offenders brought before the courts.

The Board was then addressed on the subject by Justice Burke of the Municipal Court; Justice Fallon of the South Boston District Court; Justice Bolster of the Roxbury District Court; Justice Bragg of the Charlestown District Court; Justice Parmenter of the Municipal Court; also by Mr. Warren F. Spalding, Secretary of the Massachusetts Prison Association; Charles P. Putnam, M. D., Chairman of the Children's Institutions Department; Mr. David F. Tilley, of the State Board of Charity; Miss Frances G. Curtis, of the State Board of Charity; Mr. George H. Martin, Secretary of the State Board of Education; Mr. Walter S. Parker, Acting Superintendent of Schools, and Mr. Edward W. Bowker, Visitor of the State Board of Charity.

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RECESS.

The Board voted at 6:57 P.M. to take a recess until 8 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board re-assembled in the School Committee Chamber and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:15 P.M.

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SALARY DUE SUPERINTENDENT CONLEY.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salary due George H. Conley, deceased, late Superintendent of Public Schools, be paid to his widow, Kate T. Conley.

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COMPLETION OF DEARBORN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The following communication was read:—

City of Boston,
Schoolhouse Department,
120 Boylston Street, Jan. 5, 1906.

Mr. Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary School Committee.

Dear Sir: Will you please to inform the School Committee that the new Dearborn School-house is completed, in accordance with the terms of the contract and the specifications. The occupancy of the same began on Tuesday, January 2, 1906, and will be completed today, January 5.

Respectfully yours,
H. B. Fisher, Secretary.

Placed on file.

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KINDERGARTEN, SARAH J. BAKER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The following communication was read:—

City of Boston,
Schoolhouse Department,
120 Boylston Street, Jan. 2, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

Acting for the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, I desire to reply to the order of the School Committee, dated Dec. 12, 1905, as follows:—

"ORDERED, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Lewis District, to be located in the Sarah J. Baker Schoolhouse upon the completion and occupancy of that building."

In their behalf I would say that the additional kindergarten requested has been established.

Respectfully yours,
H. B. Fisher, Secretary.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to appear before this Board at its next meeting with reference to the establishment of the aforesaid kindergarten.

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NEW GRAMMAR DISTRICT, WEST ROXBURY.

The following communication was read:—

City of Boston,
Schoolhouse Department,
120 Boylston Street, Jan. 2, 1906.

To the School Committee, Boston.

Gentlemen: I desire, acting for the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, to acknowledge the receipt of the following order passed by the School Committee under date of Dec. 26, 1905:—

"ORDERED, That a new school district in West Roxbury be established at the opening of the schools in September, 1906, having for its grammar school the Francis Parkman Building; and that the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to complete the Francis Parkman Building as soon as possible, and, in the meantime (beginning Sept. 1, 1906,) to place a portable building in the Francis Parkman School yard."

I would say, in behalf of the Board, that it is their intention to consider the above order at an early period.

I am, respectfully,
H. B. Fisher, Secretary.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Acting Superintendent for an expression of his opinion as to the advisability of establishing a new grammar school district in West Roxbury having for its main building the Francis Parkman Schoolhouse.

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SMOKE NUISANCE, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be requested to investigate and report with regard to the emission of smoke from the Dorchester High School-house which is complained of by the residents in that vicinity.

CARE OF TREES ON SCHOOL GROUNDS.

The following communication was read:—

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.
Office of Superintendent for Suppressing the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths,
6 Beacon St., Boston, Jan. 1, 1906.

Boston School Committee, Boston, Mass.

Gentlemen: The trees on some of the school grounds in the city are infested with moths, particularly the Prescott School grounds have been called to our attention. We understand this work is in charge of the school committee and are anxious to know what action is being taken in destroying the moths. We would like to take up the methods, etc., with whoever will have this work in charge.

An early reply will be greatly appreciated. Yours very truly,

D. M. Rogers,
Assistant Superintendent.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Schoolhouse Commissioners.

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CONFERENCE WITH SCHOOLHOUSE COMMISSIONERS.

The following communication was read:—

Schoolhouse Department,
January 4, 1906.

Mr. J. J. Storrow, Chairman School Committee, Boston.

Dear Mr. Storrow: I hope it may be possible for you to arrange for a meeting between the School Committee and the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners at an early date. We should be glad to come to Mason Street at any time that is convenient to you. There are a number of matters of general policy which concern us both intimately, and which ought to be decided together, and there are matters of detail which should receive early attention. Matters of general policy would include such things as our plans for the future looking toward the proper final accommodation of pupils who are at present in hired quarters or in portable buildings. The Board have complete data in regard to the existing conditions and a series of suggestions to make as to the possible solution of the problem in the districts which are congested. Among special things is the policy in regard to the Mechanic Arts High School (the plans for the extension of which are entirely complete and ready for contract), and the Commercial High School. There are a large number of such special matters on which we want the advice of the School Committee and of the Supervisors before we take any definite action.

Trusting that you will be able to arrange such a meeting at an early date,

I am, very truly yours,
R. Clipston Sturgis, Chairman.

Laid over for further consideration, and the Secretary directed to suggest to the Schoolhouse Commissioners that they defer action with regard to matters of importance until the holding of a conference between said Board and the School Committee, which this Board will endeavor to arrange for at an early date.

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PAYMENT TO ALBERT O. HAWES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 1, 1906, recommending the payment of eighteen dollars to Albert O. Hawes for services rendered as acting janitor of the Quincy street School-house from Dec. 21 to 29, 1905, inclusive.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Albert O. Hawes the sum of eighteen dollars ($18) for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Quincy street School-house from Dec. 21 to 29, 1905, inclusive.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM SENNOTT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 1, 1906, recommending the payment of twenty dollars to William Sennott, for services rendered as assistant to the acting janitor of the Old Dearborn School-house from Dec. 20 to 30, 1905, inclusive.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William Sennott the sum of twenty dollars ($20) for services rendered by him as assistant to the acting janitor of the Old Dearborn School-house from Dec. 20 to 30, 1905, inclusive.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, SARAH J. BAKER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 4, 1906, submitting the certified areas of the Sarah J. Baker School-house, which building is to be occupied on Monday, Jan. 8, 1906, and recommending that on account of the large amount of work to be done by the janitor in advance of the occupancy of the building, that his salary date from Jan. 4, 1906, it appearing by the certification of the Schoolhouse Custodian that the compensation of such services for said building will be at the rate of $1608, according to the general schedule adopted by the School Committee Jan. 5, 1904.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized, on behalf of this Board, to approve such certification, and that the salary of the janitor be established in accordance therewith, to date from Jan. 4, 1906, until otherwise ordered.

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USE OF LIBRARY, SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Herbert F. Callahan, on behalf of the South Boston High School Alumni, for the use of the library of the South Boston High School-house on Jan. 8, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 9 P.M., for a meeting of the Board of officers of that association.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF HALL AND CLASS ROOMS, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Frederick A. Tupper Head Master of the Brighton High School, on behalf of the officers of the Brighton High School Battalion, for the use of the hall, two class rooms, and basement of the Brighton High School on Jan. 27, 1906, between the hours of 1:30 and 6 P.M., for the annual officers' party and dance.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF HALL, BOWDOIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Max Mitchell, on behalf of the Boys' Industrial League, for the use of the hall of the Bowdoin School-house on Jan. 12, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 10:30 P.M., for addresses by lecturers, to the boys.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, approved, subject to the usual conditions.

FRANKLIN BI-CENTENNIAL.

A communication was received from Mr. Seth Sears, Master of the Franklin School, extending an invitation to the Board to attend the exercises to be held in the Franklin School-house on Wednesday, Jan. 17, at 7:30 P.M., to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the birth of Franklin.

The invitation was accepted, and the Secretary directed to inform Mr. Sears that the Committee will be represented at the exercises, by its Chairman.

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USE OF HALL AND ROOMS, FRANKLIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Seth Sears, Master of the Franklin School, on behalf of the friends and Alumni of the Franklin School, for the use of the assembly hall and a few rooms in the Franklin School-house on Jan. 17, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 10:30 P.M., for the purpose of holding literary exercises in commemoration of the 200th anniversary of Franklin's birth.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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AGENTS ON SCHOOL PREMISES.

A communication was received from Mr. George B. Murray, under date of Jan. 4, 1906, requesting permission to visit school buildings outside of school hours, for the purpose of interesting teachers in the latest edition of Webster's International Dictionary.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the application was refused.

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TRANSFER OF PUPIL.

The following communication was read:—

Charlestown High School,
Boston, Jan. 2, 1906.

To the Secretary of the Board of School Committee of the Boston Public Schools:

Dear Sir:—I enclose herewith a letter in regard to the application of Miss B. R. Fullman to be transferred to the Charlestown High School from the Girls' High School. The application has my entire approval. I refer it to you because I am in some doubt about the proper course of procedure under the regulations.

Very truly yours,
George W. Evans, Head Master.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Acting Superintendent, with full powers.

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BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL, SALESMANSHIP CLASS.

The following communication was read:—

Boston, Jan. 3, 1906.

To the School Board of the City of Boston:—

We respectfully petition that you permit us the use of a room in the Bigelow Evening School for the balance of the school term—free of expense to the city—for a course upon Salesmanship.

Jordan Marsh Company,
E. J. Mitton, Vice-President.
Shepard, Norwell Co.,
Edw. E. Cole, Vice-President.
C. F. Hovey & Co.
Farley, Harvey & Co.
Brown, Durrell & Co.
Per T. B. Fitzpatrick.
Wm. Filene's Sons Company,
By Edward A. Filene, Treas.
Henry Siegel Co.,
By E. G. Kramer, Vice-Prest.
James A. Houston.
Gilchrist Company,
William Jardine, Vice-Prest.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, approved.

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PREPARATION OF PUPILS FOR HIGH SCHOOLS.

The following communication was read:—

English High School,
January 4, 1906.

Mr. J. J. Storrow, Chairman School Committee:—

Dear Sir: I desire to call your attention to a class of pupils who come to the high schools so poorly prepared for high school work, or so lacking in energy and industry, that they not only do not benefit by the high school instruction, but they impair the efficiency of the school, and are confirmed in their indolence.

As these pupils have received diplomas from the grammar schools, stating that they have honorably completed the course in those schools, or something to that effect, naturally they and their parents object to their being sent back to the grammar school after failure here. Furthermore, it is doubtful if any one has authority to force them to discontinue their studies in the high school, no matter how unsuccessful they are, or how pernicious their example may be. Certainly no one has attempted recently to exclude them from high school privileges on account of poor scholarship alone.

It will be impossible to state what percentage of the total high school membership should be placed in this category until a definite standard of scholarship is established, failing to attain which pupils should be considered failures. The percentage of failures is large enough, however, to warrant serious consideration.

Doubtless all pupils receive some benefit which cannot be expressed definitely in percentages, and the theory has been that, if the parents are content, the school must submit, with the result that we have all grades from almost perfection to almost complete failure.

Some pupils earn 75 or more diploma points in 3 years, others earn almost none in their lessons, and the rest cover almost every intermediate point.

I cite one or two instances of pupils now here.

——— — ——— entered school Sept., 1905. Marks on a scale of 10:—

	English.	History.	French.	Bookkeeping.
Sept. and Oct....	3	0	0	0
Nov. and Dec....	1	1	0	1

Marked by four different teachers, so that the teachers' personalities are eliminated. The father was consulted this week and was unwilling to withdraw the boy.

——— — ——— entered school Sept., 1903, and ought to be graduated next June. He has earned diploma points in the following subjects, 60 points being required for a diploma:—

1903-4—Military drill, 3; hygiene, 1.
1904-5—Military drill, 3; hygiene, 1; algebra, 5.
1905-6—Has failed in all subjects thus far.
Total, 13 points.

——— — ——— entered school in 1903.

1903-4—Military drill, 3.
1904-5—Military drill, 3; hygiene, 1.
1905-6—Is passing in all subjects.

While it is desirable to extend the High School influence as far as possible, it is evident that the retention of such pupils as these adds to the expense of the schools. The exclusion of a few with a firm hand would have a very stimulating effect on all idlers, and would place the parents in a position where they would be obliged to co-operate with the teachers in securing better preparation of lessons.

Respectfully yours,
John F. Casey, Head Master.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and recommendation as to what action should be taken to meet the conditions referred to in aforesaid communication.

MANUAL TRAINING SUPPLIES, SHERWIN EVENING SCHOOL.

The following communication was read:—

61 L Street,
South Boston, Mass., Dec. 30, 1905.

Mr. James J. Storrow, Boston, Mass:—

My Dear Sir: I write to you in regard to the class in manual training held at the Boston Sherwin Evening School. I beg that you will do something immediately to forward us some supplies to carry on the work being done. The class is destitute for the want of material.

Yours truly,
Arthur G. Hamilton,
Teacher of Manual Training, Sherwin Evening School.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Auditing Clerk.

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EVENING LECTURE COURSES.

The following communication was read:—

Lewis School, Dale Street,
Roxbury, Mass., Jan. 1, 1906.

Mr. James J. Storrow, Chairman of School Committee, Boston, Mass.:—

My Dear Mr. Storrow: Following instructions from the Committee of last year, I have been attending to the correspondence connected with the lecture course.

Do you wish me to continue with this work?

Last season I had charge of this branch of the evening work and would like to continue with the course this year if your Board thinks best.

Eighty-eight lectures were given by eighteen lecturers to 58,104 persons last winter. The cost per auditor was about 4½ cents. Amount of appropriation was $2500. I should be pleased to talk with you in regard to this branch of the work.

Again offering my services to assist you in any way, I am Yours respectfully,
C. C. Haines.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table, and the Secretary directed to reply that in view of the present financial situation, the Committee do not deem it expedient to establish a lecture course at the present time also that Mr. Haines be informed that the Committee would be glad to have him continue attending to such correspondence as may arise in this connection, if he is willing to do so without compensation.

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NORMAL SCHOOL, EXPENSE SHARED BY STATE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Secretary was instructed to prepare and submit a bill to be presented to the Legislature to provide that the State shall bear its proportionate share of the expense of maintaining the Boston Normal School.

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REDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to invite the various principals of schools and districts to submit to him in writing any suggestions tending to economy and the reduction of expenses which, in their opinion, could be adopted without detriment to the school system, the same to be considered by him and reported to this board with such recommendations as he may deem proper.

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USE OF ROOM, BENJAMIN DEAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the application received from John F. Dwight, Master of the Thomas N. Hart District, on behalf of The Hamilton Social Club, for the use of Room 3 of the Benjamin Dean School-house on Jan. 26, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 10 P.M., for holding a meeting composed of parents of the children attending the Benjamin Dean Kindergarten, be approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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MINUTES OF BOARD.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that the Secretary be authorized to continue the present method of printing and distributing the official Minutes of the Board, and that on the day following each meeting, the Secretary shall deliver to the Boston Daily Advertiser a copy of the proceedings of said meeting to be printed by that paper on the following day.

On motion of the same member, the foregoing motion was laid over to the following meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 9:40 P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

January 8, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason Street building, at 4 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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OLD DEARBORN SCHOOL JANITOR.

The following communication was read:—

City of Boston,
Schoolhouse Department,
120 Boylston St., Jan. 6, 1906.

Mr. T. D. Apollonio, Secy. School Board, Boston:—

Dear Sir: Acting for the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, I would say that as the new Dearborn School-house is completed and occcupied, I would recommend that the party having charge of the old Dearborn be discharged from service after having completed such work as is required of him by the Custodian, as we proposed to board up the lower portion of the house for protection until such time as the building is disposed of.

I am, very truly yours,
H. B. Fisher, Secretary.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to carry the aforesaid recommendation into effect.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations reported by the Acting Superintendent were presented:—

Chapman District—Gertrude N. Sullivan, assistant, Primary School, Jan. 12, 1906.

Lowell District—Caroline G. Tunis, permanent substitute, Dec. 4, 1905.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bowdoin District—Alice S. Small, Boston, Primary School, from Jan. 3, 1906.

Dwight District—Margaret L. Carolan, Boston, Primary School, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Everett District — Esther M. Buchan, Boston, Primary School, from Dec. 14 to Dec. 20, 1905, inclusive (5½ days).

Franklin District—Cora L. Rouillard, Boston, Primary School, from Dec. 14 to Dec. 21, 1905, inclusive.

Laid on the table.

Subsequently, the aforesaid appointments were taken from the table and approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Lewis District—Marguerite S. Brett, Boston, first assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 15, 1906; Annie L. Turner, Keene, N. H., assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 8, 1906.

Schools of Cookery—Elizabeth D. Chadwell, Boston, instructor, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Laid on the table.

Subsequently, the aforesaid appointments were taken from the table and approved.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Brighton High School—Marion A. Hawes, assistant principal.

Bennett District — Jennie M. Chandler, assistant, Grammar School.

Comins District—Lillian E. Cronin, first assistant, Grammar School.

Dillaway District—Mabel L. Harrington, assistant, Primary School.

Hugh O'Brien District—Myra E. Wilson, first assistant, Grammar School; Mary A. Watson, assistant, Grammar School.

Lowell District — Marion R. Weymouth, assistant, Grammar School.

Mather District — Loretta J. Curran, assistant, Grammar School; Mary Smith, assistant, Primary School.

Minot District — Mary E. Palmer, first assistant, Grammar School; Rose Dearborn, assistant, Grammar School.

Roger Wolcott District—Alicia G. Frawley, assistant, Grammar School; Desire E. Nickels, Josephine L. Pickett, assistants, Primary School.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Mather School—First assistant, Alvin P. Wagg, Boston; assistants, Josephine Manton, Boston (Dressmaking); Mary F. Dutton, Boston, from Jan. 2, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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REMOVAL OF A TEACHER.

The following communication from the Acting Superintendent, was presented:—

Subject to your approval I hereby remove Achsa M. Merrill from the position of first assistant, Grammar School, in the Robert G. Shaw District, said removal to take effect Feb. 1, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table, and the Secretary directed to notify Mrs. Merrilll of the aforesaid communication, and that the Board proposes to take the matter up at its next regular meeting.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the term specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Dorchester High School—Lucy A. Frost, assistant, from Jan. 4 until Apr. 4, 1906.

Girls' High School—Zephirine N. Brown, assistant, from Jan. 2 until Apr. 1, 1906; Henry W. Kirmayer, Boston, substitute.

Christopher Gibson District—Elizabeth G. Crotty, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 2 until Feb. 1, 1906; Mary I. McIsaac, Boston, substitute.

Everett District—Minna L. Wentworth, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 2 until May 1, 1906; Esther M. Buchan, Boston, substitute.

Hancock District — Mary J. Murray, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 1 until Feb. 1, 1906; Linda C. O'Dowd, Boston, substitute.

Henry L. Pierce District—Edith A. Savage, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1 until May 1, 1906; Mary A. Burke, Cambridge, substitute.

Lyman District—Eva L. Morley, assistant, Grammar School from Dec. 12, 1905, until Feb. 1, 1906; Helen M. Cleveland, Boston, substitute.

Prescott District—Lizzie Simpson, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 2 until May 1, 1906; Mary M. Hayes, Boston, substitute.

Sherwin District—Beulah S. Cone, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 1 until Feb. 1, 1906; Annie A. Hawkes, Medford, substitute.

Winthrop District — Caroline Merrill, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1 until Apr. 1, 1906; Anne C. Constantine, Boston, substitute.

Special Class—Substitutes for Harriet E. Lyman, teacher, granted leave of absence; Annie M. Trundy, Boston, from Dec. 11 until Dec. 21, 1905, inclusive; Anna J. Harmon, Boston, from Jan. 2, 1906.

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On the report of the Acting Superintendent leave of absence to the following-named teachers for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Jan. 1, 1907.

Mary Hemenway District—Sophia W. French, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 1, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

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ACTING MASTER, WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

The Acting Superintendent reported that Joseph B. Egan, sub-master of the Washington District, had been designated to take charge of the schools in that district from Dec. 18, 1905, until such time as the mastership of the Washington School shall have been filled in accordance with the rules and regulations.

Approved.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent, in accordance with the regulations, submitted the names of three hundred seventy-one minors to be licensed as newsboys, of nine to be licensed as bootblacks, and of four to be licensed as pedlars.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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EVERETT SCHOOL-HOUSE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 6, 1906, submitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Everett School-house to fill the vacancy in that position occasioned by the transfer of the former janitor of that building to the Sarah J. Baker School-house.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the transfer to said vacancy of the janitor standing at the head of the list reported by the Schoolhouse Custodian, viz.: Henry F. Beverstock, janitor of the Tuckerman School-house.

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TRANSFERS OF JANITORS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter in cases of proposed transfers of janitors, the Schoolhouse Custodian shall notify the master of the school or district concerned of such transfer as the Custodian proposes to recommend, in order that the master may have an opportunity to attend a meeting of the committee at which such recommendation is to be considered, and to present any objections he may have to the proposed action.

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COMPENSATION OF JANITOR NEW DEARBORN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The following communication was read:—

Boston School Committee.
Office of Schoolhouse Custodian,
100 Boylston St., Jan. 8, 1906.

Boston School Committee, Mr. James J. Storrow, Chairman:—

Gentlemen: The new Dearborn Schoolhouse was opened for school purposes on Tuesday, Jan. 2, 1906, and on Jan. 5 all of the classes of the old Dearborn School were removed to the new building.

In the salary schedule, on file in this office, there is no allowance made in the salary for the new building for the care of the yards of the old Dearborn School-house lot, which will have to be used as a playground by the pupils of the new building. It will therefore be necessary to re-certify the area of this yard so that the janitor may receive the proper salary for the new building. Mr. Moore, janitor of this building, has been receiving the salary of the former position he held as janitor of the Farragut School-house, namely—$1332 per annum. I recommend that from Jan. 1, 1906, Mr. Moore receive the scheduled salary of $1944 per annum until such time as the re-certification can be made.

Yours very truly,
Mark B. Mulvey,
Schoolhouse Custodian.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM SENNOTT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 8, 1906, recommending the payment of ten dollars to William Sennott, for services rendered as assistant to the substitute janitor at the old Dearborn School-house from Jan. 1 to 5, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William Sennott the sum of ten dollars ($10) for services rendered as assistant to the substitute janitor of the old Dearborn School-house from Jan. 1 to 5, 1906, inclusive.

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APPOINTMENT OF CHARLES RIORDAN.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 8, 1906, reporting the appointment of Charles Riordan as assistant to the acting janitor of the Everett School-house to date from Jan. 2, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Brock, approved.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, SARAH J. BAKER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 8, 1906, stating that the Sarah J. Baker School-house will not be ready for occupancy until Jan. 15, and recommeding that the salary of the janittor be established to date from Jan. 11, 1906, instead of from Jan. 8, as suggested in a previous communication.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board reconsidered the action taken at its meeting of Jan. 5, whereby the Chairman was authorized to approve the certification of the areas of the Sarah J. Baker School-house, and the salary of the janitor was established in accordance therewith, to date from Jan. 4, 1906.

On motion of the same member, the matter was laid on the table.

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SMOKE NUISANCE, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

The following communication was read:—

Office of the Schoolhouse Custodian.
Jan. 8, 1906.

Boston School Committee, Mr. James J. Storrow, Chairman:—

Gentlemen: In compliance with your instructions relative to investigating the emission of smoke from the Dorchester High School-house, I beg leave to submit the following report:—

I find that this plant consists of three horizontal return tubular boilers, 66 inches in diameter, 18 feet long, with a grate surface of 35 square feet under each boiler, consuming on an average of about 5 tons of soft coal per day. I made observations covering about two hours' time and found black smoke issuing from the chimney about 7 minutes each hour.

The building is a light buff colored brick with light sandstone trimmings, and bears no marks which would indicate accumulations of soot. Many of the houses in the neighboorhood have white trimmings. I have examined many of these closely and find no indications of a soft coal nuisance apparent in the discoloration of any of the buildings.

I called at numbers 35 and 51 Centre St., numbers 28, 46 and 66 Brent St., and number 438 Talbot Ave., and none of the occupants of these houses, all of which are within a radius of 150 yards of the school buildings, complained of the emission of smoke from the building. Many of the yards had white clothes on the lines, and I investigated to ascertain whether or not there was any soot falling on them and found none.

At number 428 Talbot Ave., a woman complained very much about the smoke nuisance, and stated that large pieces of black coal had fallen on her washing in the yard frequently.

I was informed by the janitor that, prior to this year, a furnace for burning paper was in use in the building, from which large pieces of burned paper used to fall in the neighborhood, but this was remedied by placing a wire netting at the top of the stack, and that only occasionally a small piece of this burned paper would fall. Perhaps this explains the last complaint.

While there is a smoke consumer in connection with this plant, it is of absolutely no value. It is my opinion that a reliable smoke consuming apparatus could be installed in this plant so that this emission of smoke would be obviated.

The use of soft coal in this building means a saving of about 20 per cent. in the number of tons used over hard coal, also about $2.00 per ton less in the cost, and, as this plant consumes about 450 tons per annum, the material saving is apparent.

I submit this to you for your information.

Very truly yours,
Mark B. Mulvey.
Schoolhouse Custodian.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to send one copy of the aforesaid communication to His Honor the Mayor, and another to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners with the recommendation that said Board be requested to consider the advisability of equipping this building with a reliable smoke consuming apparatus.

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SUSPENSION OF SESSION, FRANKLIN EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the sessions of the Franklin Evening School be suspended on Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1906, on account of exercises to be held that evening commemorating the 200th anniversary of the birth of Franklin.

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REDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

The following communication was read:—

School Committee Rooms, Mason Street,
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, January 8, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

The Board of Supervisors is in receipt of the following communication from the School Committee, under date of Jan. 1st, 1906:—

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report to this Board at its next meeting a statement setting forth what reduction in expenses can be effected without detriment to the school system, and if a full report cannot be prepared within the time herein stated, that a partial report be submitted, to be supplemented from week to week until the Board of Supervisors is satisfied that it has fully complied with the terms and spirit of this request.

In reply the Board of Supervisors presents the following report of progress:—

It is the opinion of the Board of Supervisors that reduction of expenditures may be made without detriment to the school system in the following particulars:—

1—By reducing the number of instructors in excess of the number allowed by the regulations in accordance with a report herewith submitted.

2—By reducing expenses connected with manual training in accordance with recommendations of the head of the manual training department, amounting to $1600.

3—By transferring the office of the Schoolhouse Custodian from its present location to the Rooms of the School Committee, thereby saving a rental, etc., of about $500.

4—By the dismissal of a second substitute janitor in the office of the Schoolhouse Custodian, thereby saving $500.

5—By the vacation on March 1st, 1906, of the following rooms now rented by the city, thereby saving an annual expenditure of $1560:—

Store, No. 727 Walk Hill Street.
Store, No. 1508 Tremont Street.
Store, No. 1516 Tremont Street.

6—By the immediate reduction from $125 to $1 of the ground rent for Portable Building on Beech Street, West Roxbury.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter S. Parker,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

Subsequently, the foregoing communication was taken from the table, and the Board acted thereon as follows:—

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the second and third recommendations were adopted.

On motion of the same member, the Board voted to carry the fourth recommendation into effect by transferring the substitute janitor to the first available vacancy.

On motion of the same member, the fifth and sixth recommendations were referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners with the request that they carry the same into effect.

The report referred to in the foregoing communication, is as follows:—

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TEACHERS IN EXCESS.

The following communication was read:—

In reply to the order of the School Committee, dated Jan. 1, 1906, to wit:—

ORDERED That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report to this Board at the earliest possible date, and within two weeks, a list of the teachers in the service in excess of the rules established by the former Board, whose continuance in their present positions is deemed essential to the best interests of the schools.

The Board of Supervisors recommends:—

1—The continuation of one extra assistant in the Charlestown High School; one assistant grammar in the Mary Hemenway District; two assistants primary in the Bunker Hill District; one assistant grammar in the Blackinton District. (It is confidently believed that before Sept. 1, 1906, the conditions in the Blackinton District will have so changed as to render an extra assistant needless.)

2—That the School Committee revoke the authorization of one extra assistant grammar in the Robert G. Shaw District; two extra assistants primary in the John A. Andrew District; two extra assistants primary in the Martin District; one extra assistant primary in the Phillips Brooks District; one extra assistant in the East Boston High School. (No teachers are now employed under the above authorization.)

3—On or before Sept. 1. 1906, the discontinuation of one extra assistant in the Roger Wolcott District; one in the Washington Allston District; one in the Warren District; one in the Bowdoin District; one first assistant in the Bunker Hill District.

Note.—A sub-master in the Christopher Gibson District with higher rank than the Regulations allow has been eliminated by a readjustment of the organization of the district.

4—That instructors with higher rank than the Regulations allow be authorized as follows:—

One sub-master in the Bennett District; one in the Lyman District; one in the Mary Hemenway District; one in the Mather District; one in the Phillips Brooks District; one in the Quincy District; one in the Roger Wolcott District; one in the Thomas Gardner District; one first assistant in the Bigelow District (in place of a sub-master to which the school is entitled under the Regulations); one first assistant grammar in the Longfellow District; one first assistant grammar in the Phillips District; two extra first assistants grammar in the Robert G. Shaw District. (It is expected that one of these places will be eliminated by resignation. in accordance with the request of the late Superintendent.)

5—That one extra first assistant primary from the Hancock District and one extra first assistant primary from the Washington District be transferred without loss of rank to corresponding positions whenever such vacancies occur.

6—That one first assistant grammar in the Eliot District be eliminated by a readjustment of the organization of the District.

7—The reduction of ungraded classes in the Washington Allston District from 2 to 0; Washington from 7 to 5: Eliot from 11 to 9; Comins from 2 to 1.

A total reduction of 7 classes.

Summary.

Continuation in Service of

1 Extra assistant in High School.
2 Extra assistants in Grammar Schools.
2 Extra assistants in Primary Schools.

Revocation of Authorization of

1 Extra assistant in High School.
1 Extra assistant in Grammar School.
5 Extra assistants in Primary Schools.

Discontinuation on or Before Sept. 1, 1906, of

1 Extra first assistant in Grammar School.
4 Extra assistants in Grammar Schools.

Authorization of Higher Rank of

8 Sub-masters.
5 First assistants Grammar.

Transfer of

2 First assistants Primary.

Elimination by Adjustment of

1 First assistant Grammar.

By execution of the above recommendations the Board of Supervisors believes that the privilege of annual expenditure for instructors in excess of numbers allowed by Regulations may be reduced by $8000.

Of the above sum the Board further believes that for the remaining months of the current school year a saving at the rate of $4000 may be effected.

Attest: Walter S. Parker,
Chairman Bd. of Supervisors.

Laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Ellis, the second, third, fifth, sixth and seventh recommendations contained in the foregoing communication were taken from the table and successively adopted.

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INDUSTRIAL NEEDS OF CHILDREN.

The following communication was read:—

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Commission on Industrial and Technical Education, Room 429, State House,
Boston, Jan. 8, 1906.

To the Boston School Board:—

Dear Sirs: The Commission on Industrial and Technical Education is carrying on an investigation into the industrial needs of the child from 14 to 16 years of age. This investigation would be greatly facilitated if masters and teachers would provide our investigators with the addresses of children who have left or are about to leave school. It is understood that the addresses thus secured shall not be made public in any way. We learn that to obtain such help from the masters, the approval of your board is necessary. We therefore appeal for your assistance in this investigation undertaken by the commission.

Very truly yours,
Mary Morton Kehew,
For the Committee.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the foregoing application was approved.

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USE OF GYMNASIUM, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from F. G. Jackson, on behalf of the Dorchester High School basket ball teams, for use of the gymnasium of the Dorchester High Schoolhouse on Jan. 19, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 10 P.M., for basket ball games with the Springfield High School and some other school (for second team).

Laid on the table.

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OPINION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to give his opinion as to whether the city would be liable for any accident or injury that may result to persons attending games or other exercises, or entertainments, held in school buildings to which an admission fee is charged.

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ADMISSION OF PUPIL, CENTRAL EVENING HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, an application from Mr. H. A. Dame, who desires to attend the Central Evening High School, but who does not happen to be a graduate of a Boston Grammar School, was referred to the head master of that school, with authority to admit said applicant, provided he is found to be suitably qualified, and to be a resident of Boston.

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EXHIBIT OF SCHOOL MATERIAL.

The following communication was read:—

Mr. James J. Storrow, Chairman School Committee, Mason Street, Boston.

Dear Sir: The school material exhibited at St. Louis and at Portland has been returned to Boston and I would like to know what disposition your Committee would wish us to make of it. The teachers and Supervisors think it desirable to have it exhibited in a school hall for a short time, say two weeks, in order that they may see it as a whole.

To install it and to distribute it would cost not far from a hundred dollars. I would suggest that the cabinets which

were furnished by the State have been returned to us for our disposal. I understand some of them are injured; but undoubtedly enough of them are in good condition so that if it seems desirable on the part of your Committee the cabinets can be sold for enough to defray the expense of the exhibit. If they are not sold there would probably be a dozen to be distributed among seventy-five schools. As the cases are now placed in a playroom they should, of course, be disposed of as soon as possible. As I had sole charge of the exhibit, I present the matter for your disposal. Yours respectfully,

M. P. White, Supervisor.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That Supervisor White be authorized to conduct an exhibit as suggested by him in the foregoing communication, and to dispose of such cabinets as are not needed and apply the proceeds thereof to defray the expenses of the exhibit.

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TRAINED NURSE, WELLS DISTRICT.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That permission is hereby granted the Mothers and Fathers Club of Boston to place a trained nurse in the Wells District for the purpose of supplementing the medical inspection of the schools by the Board of Health by personal effort among pupils and parents in matters of sanitation and hygiene. Said nurse to be under the supervision and direction of this Board, her employment to be without expense to the city, and to terminate at the pleasure of the Board.

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MEETING WITH JUDGE OF JUVENILE COURT OF DENVER.

The Chair presented the following communication:—

Denver, Colorado, Dec. 27, 1905.

Hon. James J. Storrow, 44 State Street:—

My Dear Mr. Storrow: I thank you for your kind letter of Dec. 21. I should be delighted to meet with the members of the School Board.

My plans are yet a little indefinite. I shall be in and around Boston between the 7th and 16th of February, and I should say that the 9th, 12th or 13th would be days and evenings when I could conveniently be in Boston,—and either of these evenings I think would be agreeable to me.

The Children's Court is with us very much a part of the school system, and I should be very glad to explain to the Board its operation and co-operation with the schools, and the advantages of such an arrangement.

With kindest regards, and with the best wishes of the season, I am

Sincerely yours,
Ben B. Lindsey.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman and the Acting Superintendent be authorized to arrange for a meeting between Judge Lindsey and this Board.

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CARE OF SCHOOL-HOUSE FLOORS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be requested to report to this Board upon the proper care of floors in school buildings; whether or not such floors should be washed and if so, how frequently, and the expense thereof; also to report on the expense of washing the floors of rooms occupied by kindergartens once each month.

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JANUARY PAYROLLS.

The Auditing Clerk appeared and requested instructions of the Board relative to certain matters coming within his department.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be instructed to make up the January payrolls covering the services of employees in the offices of the School Committee in accordance with the action taken by the previous Board whereby certain salaries were increased at the last meeting of said Board.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAYROLLS.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk shall be approved on behalf of this Board by its Chairman, or in his absence, by the senior member, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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GIBSON FUND.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk is hereby authorized to purchase books and other educational material for the benefit of schools entitled to share in the income of the Gibson Fund, and to charge the cost thereof to said income, upon requisitions made by the masters of such schools, approved by the Superintendent; provided, however, that the amount thus expended for the benefit of any school shall in no case exceed the apportionment standing to the credit of such school.

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PUPILS ATTENDING BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That all applications for free tuition of Boston pupils in Brookline Schools be referred to the Acting Superintendent, to be reported upon by him to the Board.

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PUPILS ATTENDING PRINCE DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be instructed to request the master of the Prince District to report at the next meeting of this Board the number of pupils by grades and classes who are now attending the Prince District, and who actually reside outside the boundaries of said district.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to take such action as he may deem advisable with respect to children residing in the Prince District, but who are attending Brookline Schools; and if he finds that any such children are excluded from the Prince School because of permits issued to pupils residing in other districts who are attending the Prince School, that he have full power to cancel such permits.

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TUITION OF NON-RESIDENT PUPILS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be instructed to make out bills for tuition of non-resident pupils attending the public schools, and transmit the same to the City Collector for collection; all claims for abatement to be referred to the Acting Superintendent and to be reported upon by him to the Board.

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SUPPLIES AND REQUISITIONS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That for the time being the purchase of current supplies and the filling of requisitions for materials required for use in the several schools shall be left to the discretion of the Auditing Clerk.

PROPOSALS FOR PAPER.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be instructed to proceed as usual to obtain proposals for furnishing the necessary supply of paper which will be required for use in the school system, obtaining separate bids, so far as practicable, for machine and loft-dried paper; the same to be submitted to the Board for action in due course.

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PIANO, FRANKLIN SCHOOL.

The Auditing Clerk submitted a request made by the master of the Franklin School for moving the piano in the hall of his building and it was ordered that the same be not approved until further information is received as to the necessity thereof.

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COSTUME MODELS.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny presented a communication from Mr. J. Frederick Hopkins, Director of Drawing, requesting that authority be given him to employ costume models in the Evening Drawing Schools at a cost during the remainder of the current term not to exceed $160.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent for investigation and report.

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ABATEMENT OF TUITION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the amount paid by Ernesto Maresina of Cuba—a non-resident pupil in the Roxbury High School—from Dec 1, 1905, to Feb. 1, 1906, viz.: nineteen and 18-100 dollars ($19.18), be abated, said pupil having left the school Dec. 1, 1905.

RENTED ACCOMMODATIONS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to report to this Board a list of premises now hired for school purposes, with the rentals respectively paid therefor, and whether or not it will be possible to decrease the number of such rented accommodations in the near future.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL, MILLINERY CLASS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Principal of the Bigelow Evening School be authorized to open and conduct a class in millinery in said school for the remainder of the current term.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 8:04 P.M., to meet on Friday, Jan. 12, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

BOSTON PRINTING TRADES UNION LABOR COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

January 12, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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SUSPENSION OF AFTERNOON SESSION OF SCHOOLS JAN. 31, 1906.

The following petition was received:—

Boston Public Schools,
Rooms of the School Committee,
Mason St., Jan. 12, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

In accordance with a vote of the Masters' Association, we, the undersigned committee of arrangements, respectfully petition that the session of the public schools be omitted on the afternoon of Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1906, to give the teachers an opportunity to attend memorial services in honor of Dr. George H. Conley, late Superintendent of the public schools.

Orlendo W. Dimick,
Lincoln Owen,
Walter S. Parker.

Placed on file.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the afternoon session of the Grammar and Primary Schools be suspended on Wednesday, Jan. 31, 1906, in order that the teachers in such schools may have an opportunity to attend memorial services to be held in Jordan Hall in honor of George H. Conley, late Superintendent of the public schools.

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ALTERATIONS AND REPAIRS, MASON STREET BUILDING.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
Law Department, Tremont Building,
January 8, 1906.

The School Committee of the City of Boston:—

Gentlemen: I am requested by you to inform you whether or not in my opinion repairs and alterations upon the building situated on Mason street and occupied by the School Committee should be made by the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners and the cost thereof charged to the general appropriation for repairs and alterations of school buildings made by the School Committee and expended by the Schoolhouse Commissioners.

I have given some care and thought to the matter because of an opinion given by Mr. Bailey to the Schoolhouse Commissioners, dated October 29, 1902.

The real question is whether the building on Mason street, used at the present time by the School Committee for its meetings and for various school purposes such as the distribution of supplies, etc., is a school building within the meaning of chapters 448 and 473 of the Acts of 1901. Stated in other words, is a school building, a building under the control of the School Committee and used for school purposes, or is the term synonymous with schoolhouse, that is, a place where instruction is actually given to scholars?

In considering this question I have taken into account the history of the building. It was erected in 1846-7 for the Adams School. It was occupied by the Girls' High and Normal School from 1850 to October, 1870, when that school went to its new building on West Newton street. For several years after 1870 the building was occupied in the daytime by overflow classes from the English High and Public Latin schools and in the evening by the Evening High School. The annual report of 1876, in a list of school buildings has this entry, "The Latin Branch on Mason street." The next year, 1877, there appears in the list of school buildings "The School Committee Building on Mason street." Since January, 1877, the School Committee has had its headquarters there. I am informed that there is no record that the School Committee ever surrendered the building or gave it up at any time.

I am of opinion that it is a building used exclusively for school purposes, and could be at any time used as a place where instruction is to be given to scholars, without any change in the statutes or ordinances. I am of opinion, therefore, that it is a school building and as such can be repaired by the Schoolhouse Commissioners out of the twenty-five cents per thousand dollars raised for repairs and alterations of school buildings.

Yours respectfully,
Thomas M. Babson,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

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SMOKE NUISANCE, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Jan. 10, 1906, transmitting circular and letter from the Health Department with reference to a smoke nuisance at the Dorchester High School-house, and calling for its abatement; also a communication from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, acknowledging receipt of communication from this Board suggesting the installation of a suitable smoke consuming apparatus in said building and stating that the Commissioners have the matter under consideration.

Severally placed on file.

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JANITOR, EVERETT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 10, 1906, recommending that the transfer of Henry F. Beverstock, from the position of janitor of the Tuckerman Schoolhouse to a similar position in the Everett School-house, date from Jan. 17, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the recommendation was approved.

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TEXT BOOK AUTHORIZED.

The following communication was received:—

School Committee Rooms, Mason Street.
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, January 11, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held this day it was

VOTED, To recommend that La Fille De Thuiskon, arranged and edited with notes and vocabulary by Kate T. Conley, be authorized for use as a text book in the High and Latin Schools.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter S. Parker,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

Laid over.

SUBSTITUTE, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, with reference to supplying the place of an absent teacher in the Dorchester High School.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, and in conformity with the Acting Superintendent's recommendation, it was

ORDERED, That the employment, in the Dorchester High School, of Frances Zirngiebel, as assistant in the grammar school of the Dudley District, as substitute for Lucy A. Frost, assistant in the Dorchester High School, granted leave of absence, be authorized, Miss Zirngiebel to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as assistant in a grammar school.

Be it further ordered, that while Miss Zirngiebel, because of her service in the Dorchester High School, is absent from her regular position in the Dudley School, her place in that school may be filled by a temporary teacher.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE, JANITOR HENRY L. PIERCE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, recommending that leave of absence be granted Timothy Donahoe, janitor of the Henry L. Pierce Schoolhouse, for two weeks to date from Jan. 10, 1906, on account of the death of a relative.

On motion of Mr. Brock approved.

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HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent and Board of Supervisors be requested to consider and report the advisability of amending the present high school course of study to provide that all pupils shall pursue a definite and prescribed course of instruction during the first two years of their attendance at such schools, the present elective system being restricted to third and fourth year pupils.

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GRAMMAR AND PRIMARY SCHOOL COURSES OF STUDY.

Mr. Brock presented a communication addressed to him, under date of Jan. 6, 1906, by Mr. Edward P. Sherburne, Master of the Jefferson School, suggesting certain modifications of the course of study for the grammar and primary schools.

Referred to the Board of Supervisors.

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SITE FOR PLAYGROUND, EAST BOSTON.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the City Council be requested to consider the advisability of acquiring a suitable site in East Boston, near the foot of Marion Street, for use as a playground.

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PAYMENT TO HEAD-MASTER CLAY.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles M. Clay, Head-master of the Roxbury High School, under date of Jan. 11, 1906, setting forth the circumstances under which he incurred an expense of one hundred sixty-five dollars in defending a suit brought against him by J. E. Purdy & Co., photographers, in connection with which matter an order was passed by the former Board for the payment of said amount, which order failed of approval by the Acting Mayor.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

HEARING ON REMOVAL OF A TEACHER.

The following communication was received:—

January 10, 1906.

Mr. Thornton D. Apollonio:—

Dear Sir: Today I received from you a notice of the action of the Boston School Committee of January 8th and I hasten to communicate with you in regard to the case.

The proposed action is unjust and I think I can prove insufficient basis if I am permitted to have a hearing. Will you kindly present to the Board my request for a hearing and also give me a written statement of whatever claims are made against me. Yours most sincerely,

A. M. Merrill,

First Assistant of the Henry Vane School,
West Roxbury, Mass.
899 Boylston Street, Boston, Mass.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Board of Supervisors, with instructions that those members of that Board who have not considered Mrs. Merrill's case shall grant her a hearing if she so desires; and the Secretary was directed to notify her accordingly, and also that her proposed removal is on the ground of inefficiency and for the good of the service.

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OCCUPANCY OF MT. PLEASANT AVENUE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny presented a list of sixty-two parents who are in favor of continuing the occupancy of the Mt. Pleasant-avenue School-house in the Dearborn District.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent.

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CONFERENCE WITH SCHOOLHOUSE COMMISSIONERS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That an invitation be extended the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners to hold a conference with this committee at its next meeting, on Monday, Jan. 15, 1906, at 5 o'clock P.M.

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EMPLOYMENT AND SALARY OF ALEXANDER MILLER.

Mr. Ellis presented a communication addressed to him by Mr. Frederic A. Tupper, Head-master of the Brighton High School, under date of Jan. 11, 1906, with reference to the employment and salary of Alexander Miller, teacher of manual training.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent for a definite recommendation thereon.

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PIANO, FRANKLIN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mr. Seth Sears, Master of the Franklin School, under date of Jan. 9, 1906, applying for the moving of the piano in the hall of his building, because of the proposed exercises to be held therein, on Jan. 17, 1906, in connection with the Franklin celebration.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for attention.

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USE OF HALL, GILBERT STUART SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Charles A. Ufford, on behalf of the Stoughton School Alumni Association, for the use of the hall and four adjoining rooms in the Gilbert Stuart School-house, on Feb. 17, 1906, between the hours of 6 and 12 P.M., for holding a meeting of the graduates of the old Stoughton School.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

USE OF ROOM, STEPHEN M. WELD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Joseph J. Gallagher, on behalf of the Mt. Hope Citizens' Association, for the use of one room in the Stephen M. Weld School-house, on Jan. 15, 1906, between the hours of 8 and 11 P.M., for holding a special meeting of said association.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF ROOM, OLD AGASSIZ SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. John T. Gibson, on behalf of the parents of kindergarten children, for the use of room 6 in the Old Agassiz School-house, once a month during 1906 for forming a parents' club, etc.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF HALL, BOWDITCH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Edward W. Schuerch, on behalf of the Bowditch Parents' Association, for the use of the hall in the Bowditch School-house, on Jan. 17, 1906, for holding a regular meeting of the association.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF HALL AND KITCHEN, GILBERT STUART SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. A. Stanley Bradford, on behalf of the Gilbert Stuart Alumni Association, for the use of the hall and kitchen in the Gilbert Stuart School-house, on Feb. 14, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 12 P.M., for holding the fifth annual reunion of the association.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Francis L. Coolidge, on behalf of the Ellis Memorial and Eldredge Home, for the use of the hall in the English High School-house, on Feb. 3, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 11 P.M., for holding a basket ball match.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF HALL, THOMAS GARDNER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Charles F. Merrick, on behalf of the Thomas Gardner School, for the use of the hall in said school, on Jan. 16, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 9:30 P.M., for an illustrated lecture to be given for the benefit of the school.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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NAMING OF SCHOOL IN HONOR OF LAFAYETTE.

The following communication was received:—

Massachusetts Society, Sons of the Revolution, Office of the Secretary,
Boston, January 11, 1906.

To the Honorable, the School Committee of the City of Boston.

Gentlemen: The Sons of the Revolution respectfully petition your honorable body, that at the first favorable opportunity presenting itself, a school-house be named "The Lafayette School" in memory of General, the Marquis de Lafayette. Our reasons for this petition are so obvious, they scarcely require enumeration, but one of them may be mentioned, namely, that in a city so noted for its patriotic regard for the men whose efforts brought this nation into existence, no suitable edifice, street, or public memorial of any description bears the honored and cherished name of Lafayette.

With the prayer, that our petition may be granted, I have the honor to be,

Yours very respectfully,
Frank C. Carruthers, Secretary.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to call attention thereto whenever the naming of a grammar school-house shall come before the Board for consideration.

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PRINTING THE MINUTES.

A report was received from the Secretary with regard to the cost and manner of printing the Minutes of the Board.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Secretary was requested to obtain and submit further estimates, and information on the subject.

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RETURN OF EXAMINATION PAPERS REQUESTED.

An application was received from Miss Caroline Weiscopf, under date of Jan. 11, 1906, for the return of her examination papers, written at the kindergarten examinations held by the Board of Supervisors in 1904 and 1905.

On motion the Board went into executive session at 6:40 P.M.

The doors were opened at 6:47 P.M.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the foregoing application was refused.

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RECESS.

At 6:50 o'clock P.M. the Board took a recess until 7:45 P.M.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber and were called to order at 8 o'clock P.M.

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RULES DISCUSSED.

The Board proceeded to discuss a set of proposed rules, action thereon being deferred.

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PROPOSALS FOR PRINTING.

On a motion it was

ORDERED. That the Auditing Clerk be requested to obtain proposals for such printing as the Board may require from time to time, and report thereon at an early date.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 9:55 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

January 15, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 4 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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OCCUPANCY OF SARAH J. BAKER SCHOOLHOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners under date of Jan. 15, 1906, stating that the Sarah J. Baker Schoolhouse, on Perrin street, Roxbury, has been completed in accordance with the plans and specifications, and was occupied for school purposes Jan. 15, 1906.

Placed on file.

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MUNICIPAL CONCERTS, HARVARD SCHOOLHOUSE.

A communication was received from the Music Department, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, requesting permission to use the hall of the Harvard Schoolhouse in Charlestown, for one or more free Municipal concerts during the present season.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, approved subject to the usual conditions.

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FIRE DRILLS.

The following communication was read:

Headquarters Fire Department, City of Boston, Bristol street, Jan. 12, 1906.

Secretary T. D. Apollonio,
School Committee,
Mason st., Boston.

Dear Sir:

I beg to hand you herewith copy of reports made by district chiefs of this department on their inspection of the school fire drills made in accordance with a vote of your board. These inspections are not yet completed, and I will send the other reports as soon as received, but as there are some suggestions made in the enclosed reports, I think that you should have them now and not wait for the balance.

I take this opportunity to compliment those in charge of the schools for the uniform excellence of such drills as I had the pleasure to witness.

Yours respectfully,
Benjamin W. Wells,
Commissioner.

(Reports referred to in above communication, accompanying.)

The communication was placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That a copy of the reports referred to in the foregoing communication be transmitted to the Superintendent, and to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, with the request that the suggestions contained therein be given due consideration and attention.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Acting Superintendent, were presented:

Charles Sumner District—Frances A. Neilson, permanent substitute, Jan. 3, 1906.

Everett District—Esther M. Buchan, permanent substitute, Jan. 1, 1906.

Franklin District—Cora L. Rouillard, permanent substitute, Dec. 14, 1905.

Hancock District—Linda C. O'Dowd, permanent substitute, Oct. 30, 1905.

Lewis District—Mabel G. Berry, assistant. Kindergarten, Jan. 2, 1906.

Accepted.

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

The following appointments by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

Chapman District—Agnes M. Mahoney, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 3, 1906.

Shurtleff District—Minnie B. Conant, Cambridge, Grammar School, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Wells District—Hazel P. Gore, Cambridge, Grammar School, from Jan. 11, 1906.

Winthrop District—Caroline G. Tunis, Cambridge, Primary School, from Dec. 15, 1905.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Adams District—Eva M. Neth, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Nov. 1 to Nov. 29, 1905, inclusive.

Phillips District—Rose E. Lyons, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 8, 1906; Susan A. McKenna, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—William A. Hoyt, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Approved.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Instructor of Sewing—Anastasia Gannon, Boston, from Jan. 22, 1906.

Approved.

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APPOINTMENT OF A PRINCIPAL.

Washington District—Benjamin J. Hinds, Stoneham, master, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Ellis, the foregoing appointment was taken from the table and recommitted to the Superintendent.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Christopher Gibson District—Mary F. O'Meara, assistant, Kindergarten.

Edward Everett District—Margaret C. Murdoch, assistant, Grammar School.

Phillips Brooks District—Delia Condron, S. Theodosia Folsom, Katherine A. McMurry, assistants, Grammar School.

Roger Wolcott District—Julia T. A. Maloy, principal, Kindergarten; Helen V. Peck, assistant, Kindergarten.

Winthrop District—Pauline E. Voelpel, assistant, Grammar School; Ethel F. Grove, assistant, Primary School; Sara C. Bullard, principal, Kindergarten.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOL.

Bigelow School—Assistant (Millinery), Mary A. Wogan, Boston, from Jan. 15, 1906.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

English High School—William H. Sylvester, master, from Mar. 1 until July 1, 1906; John E. J. Kelley, Boston, substitute.
Chapman District—Mary E. Buffum, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 15, 1905, until Feb. 1, 1906; Grace E. Fogg, Boston, substitute.
Dearborn District—Lily B. Atherton, first assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 2, until Feb. 2, 1906; Anna E. McDonough, Boston, substitute.
Longfellow District—L. Idalia Provan, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 5 until May 5, 1906; Frances A. Neilson, Boston, substitute.
Lowell District—Cora F. Sanborn, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 13 until May 13, 1906; Elizabeth V. Mahoney, Belmont, substitute.
Instructor of Sewing—Mary F. Doherty, from Jan. 1 until Mar. 20, 1906; Helena M. Doherty, Boston, substitute.

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PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE.

The name of the following substitute, to serve in the place of absent assistants in the Grammar and Primary Schools, appointed by the Acting Superintendent, in compliance with the terms of Section 146 of the Regulations, was presented for the approval of the Board:—
To date from Dec. 21, 1905.
Franklin District—Cora L. Rouillard, Boston.
Approved.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent, in accordance with the regulations, submitted the names of two hundred and forty-one minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of four to be licensed as bootblacks.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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TEACHER OF MANUAL TRAINING AND MECHANICAL DRAWING, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:—
ORDERED, That the employment of a special teacher of manual training and mechanical drawing in the Brighton High School, to date from Jan. 2, 1906, is hereby authorized, and that the Superintendent may direct the teacher appointed under this order to give like instruction in any other high school in which his services may be needed.
On motion of the same member, laid on the table.

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ON PROBATION.

Pursuant to the terms of the foregoing order, the Acting Superintendent reported the following appointment:—
Brighton High School—Alexander Miller, Boston, teacher of manual training and mechanical drawing, to date from Jan. 2, 1906.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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JANITOR, TUCKERMAN SCHOOLHOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 12, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Tuckerman Schoolhouse, to fill the vacancy in this position occasioned by the transfer of the former janitor of that building to the Everett Schoolhouse. Also a further communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 15, 1906, transmitting a communication from the Master of the district relative to filling said vacancy.
Severally placed on file.
On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board approved the transfer to said vacancy of the applicant standing at the head of the list reported by the Schoolhouse Custodian, viz.: Samuel A. Dodds, janitor of the Noble and Noble Annex Schoolhouses, the date of said transfer to be determined by the Schoolhouse Custodian.

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CONFERENCE WITH SCHOOLHOUSE COMMISSIONERS.

Pursuant to the action taken at the previous meeting, the Schoolhouse Commissioners, Messrs. Sturgis, Corbett and Logue, appeared for a conference with the Board, which was held in executive session.

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RECESS.

On motion, at 6:50 o'clock, the Board took a recess.
The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:25 o'clock P.M.

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TEXT-BOOK AUTHORIZED.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the recommendation of the Board of Supervisors received at the previous meeting, that La Fille De Thuiskon, arranged and edited with notes and vocabulary by Kate D. Conley, be authorized for use as a textbook in the High and Latin Schools, laid over at the previous meeting, was unanimously adopted.

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REDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

The following communication was received:—

School Committee Rooms, Mason street,
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, Jan. 15, 1906.

To the School Committee:—
At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held this day, it was
1. VOTED, To recommend that the corps of permanent substitutes be discontinued on and after Jan. 22, 1906, thereby saving an annual expenditure of over $4000.
The Board of Supervisors suggests that the inconvenience occasioned by this discontinuance may be obviated by connecting by telephone the several high and grammar schools with the School Committee Rooms at Mason street.
2. VOTED, To recommend that the School Committee be requested to ask the Schoolhouse Commissioners to remove the fittings of the Bird School kitchen to a room in the Shurtleff School, and to prepare the same for occupancy as a school kitchen.
3. At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held Jan. 12, the Board recommended that assistants in evening schools be dismissed at the close of any week in which the average attendance shall have fallen below the number authorizing their employment, and furthermore that the principals of evening schools make a weekly report to the Superintendent in addition to the monthly report now required by the regulations.
In making these recommendations, the Board of Supervisors has in mind the immediate saving of some money during the remainder of the evening school term. The

Board has under consideration several proposed changes in the regulations concerning evening schools.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter S. Parker,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

Placed on file.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to dismiss the members of the corps of permanent substitutes from and after Jan. 31, 1906.

On motion, the second recommendation in the aforesaid communication was laid on the table.

On motion, the third recommendation was adopted, and the Acting Superintendent requested to proceed to carry the same into effect.

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CARE OF SCHOOLHOUSE FLOORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 15, 1906, relative to the proper care of floors in school buildings; whether or not they should be washed, and if so, how often, and the expense thereof.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, laid on the table, and the Schoolhouse Custodian was instructed to furnish each member of the Board with a copy of his report.

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OCCUPANCY OF SARAH J. BAKER SCHOOLHOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 15, 1906, stating that the Sarah J. Baker Schoolhouse was opened that day with ten classes occupying the building, and that the Winthrop-street Schoolhouse has been closed for school purposes.

Placed on file.

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SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, LEWIS DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to investigate and report upon the situation in the Lewis District with respect to school accommodations, with particular reference to discontinuing the occupancy of the portable buildings in the yard of the Lewis School, and transferring the pupils therein to the Sarah J. Baker Schoolhouse.

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ASSISTANT TO ACTING JANITOR, EVERETT SCHOOLHOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 13, 1906, reporting the reappointment of Charles Riordan as assistant to the acting janitor of the Everett Schoolhouse, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Jan. 13, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, approved.

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COMPENSATION OF JANITOR, NEW DEARBORN SCHOOLHOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 15, 1906, transmitting a recertification of the areas of the new Dearborn Schoolhouse, upon which the compensation of the janitor is based, according to the established schedule.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny the Chairman was authorized to approve the aforesaid certification, to take effect Feb. 1, 1906.

ILLNESS OF JANITOR, CUDWORTH SCHOOLHOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 15, 1906, reporting the illness of Oliver E. Wood, janitor of the Cudworth Schoolhouse, and stating that his duties are being satisfactorily performed by his assistant under the supervision of a regular janitor.

Placed on file.

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SMOKE NUISANCE, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 15, 1906, containing a further report relative to the alleged smoke nuisance at the Dorchester High Schoolhouse, and stating that he has suggested to the Schoolhouse Commissioners that a netting with a finer mesh be placed in the stack, which he believes will prevent the escape of particles of burnt paper, concerning which complaints had been made.

Placed on file.

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SUBSTITUTE JANITOR SERVICE.

A communiciation was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 15, 1906, containing a report of the services performed by the regular substitute janitors from Dec. 16, 1905, to Jan. 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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PUPILS ATTENDING DISTRICTS OTHER THAN THAT IN WHICH THEY RESIDE.

A communication was received from Mr. E. Bentley Young, Master of the Prince School, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, reporting the number of pupils attending the Prince Grammar School who reside outside the boundaries of that district, the number of said pupils being two hundred seventeen.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be requested to obtain similar reports with regard to all other school districts.

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USE OF DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL GYMNASIUM.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles J. Lincoln, Head-Master of the Dorchester High School, under date of Jan. 15, 1906, requesting favorable action on the applicaton of Mr. F. G. Jackson for the use of the gymnasium of the Dorchester High Schoolhouse Jan. 19, 1906.

Placed on file.

The application of Mr. F. G. Jackson on behalf of the Dorchester High School Basket ball team, for the use of the gymnasium of the Dorchester High Schoolhouse on Jan. 19, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 10 P.M. for basketball games, was taken from the table, and the application approved subject to the usual conditions.

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PRINTING OF BOARD MINUTES.

Pursuant to the instructions of the Board at its last meeting, the Secretary made a further oral report with regard to printing the Minutes of the Board, and, on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the present arrangement with the Advertiser Newspaper Company for publishing the proceedings of the School Committee at the rate of ten dollars ($10) per column be continued, and that in addition thereto a further payment be made to the Advertiser Newspaper Company at the rate of two and 50-100 dollars ($2.50)

per column for holding, correcting and loaning the type of such reports for use in printing the regular and official records, and the Secretary shall deliver to the Advertiser Newspaper Company on the day following each meeting of the Board a report of the proceedings of each meeting for publication in the Boston Daily Advertiser the second morning following each meeting, and shall arrange with E. W. Doyle to print five hundred copies of the proceedings of each meeting in the same form as the proceedings of the City Council, from the type used in the reports appearing in the Advertiser, at an expense of one and 25-100 dollars ($1.25) per page, with the understanding that said arrangement may be terminated at any time at the option of the Board.

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SCHOOL FLAGS DISPLAYED, FRANKLIN BICENTENNIAL.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the flags of all school buildings be displayed on Wednesday, Jan. 17, 1906, in honor of the two hundredth anniversary of the birth of Franklin.

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USE OF HALL, WASHINGTON ALLSTON SCHOOLHOUSE.

An application was received from William C. Crawford, on behalf of the teachers and pupils of the Washington Allston Schoolhouse on Jan. 31, Feb. 1, 2, and 3, 1906, between the hours of 3.30 and 5.30, and 7.30 and 9.30 P. M., for holding an art exhibit, the proceeds of which are to be devoted to the benefit of the school.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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TRANSFERS OF PUPILS.

An application was received from Mrs. James Lannon, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, for the transfer of her son William from the English High School to the South Boston High School.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny it was

ORDERED, That all applications for the transfer of pupils from one school or district to another, be referred to the Superintendent with full power to adjust the same.

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STATE TO SHARE COST OF MAINTAINING NORMAL SCHOOL.

Pursuant to the instructions of the Board at its meeting of Jan. 5, 1906, the Secretary submitted drafts of proposed bills relative to the State assuming a portion of the expense of maintenance of the Boston Normal School, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized, on behalf of this Board, to petition the Legislature for the passage of an act to provide that the Commonwealth shall pay to the city the sum of one hundred and seventy dollars for each pupil in the Boston Normal School completing the prescribed course of study for each year subsequent to Jan. 31, 1906.

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SPECIAL MEETING.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That a special meeting of the Board be held on Thursday, Jan. 18, 1906, at 8 o'clock P. M., and that the members of the Board of Supervisors be requested to attend the same.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 10.15 P. M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

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CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

In School Committee, Jan. 18, 1906.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 8 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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OPINION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL.

The following communication was read:

City of Boston, Law Department,
73 Tremont Street, Boston, Jan. 15, 1906.

Boston School Committee Mason St., Boston:—

Gentlemen:—Yours of the 9th inst., in which you ask my opinion as to whether the city would be liable for any accident or injury that might result to persons attending games or other exercises or entertainments of any description in school buildings to which an admission fee was charged, was duly received. It would have been answered had it not been for many pressing engagements.

In my opinion there would be no liability in the City unless the City itself received some pecuniary benefit or advantage from the admission fee. If all that was done was the granting of permission to a committee of graduates or undergraduates to use the hall without charge, there would be no liability. It would make no difference under those circumstances whether the graduates or pupils charged something for admission or not, the City itself receiving no pecuniary benefit or advantage from such use of the schoolhouse.

Yours respectfully,
Thomas M. Babson,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

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ABANDONING OF QUARTERS HIRED FOR SCHOOL PURPOSES.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, Schoolhouse Department,
120 Boylston Street, Jan. 16, 1906.

To the School Committee, Boston Public Schools:—

Gentlemen:—Acting for the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, I beg to reply to your communication of January 9 having reference to abandoning certain quarters hired for school purposes, with the view of reducing expenditures.

In regard to the first I would say that we are tenants at will of the store No. 727 Walk Hill St., rented for $360 per annum, and that the owner will be notified of the vacating of the premises on or before the first day of March next.

In reference to stores Nos. 1508 and 1518 Tremont St., of which we are also tenants at will, and for which we pay a rental of $600 per annum for each store, I beg to say that the owners will be notified that we will vacate the premises on or before the first day of March.

In regard to the portable building on Beech St., West Roxbury, Longfellow School District, for which a ground rental of $125 per annum is paid, I would state that the original rate was $1 per year, and that this rental was paid for two years, as set forth in your communication. Later the attorney for the owner of the land came before the Commissioners and represented that the owner should receive a sum sufficient to offset the taxes on the property, and $125 was agreed upon. Upon communicating with the aforesaid attorney to ascertain whether or not that amount could or would be reduced to $1 per annum, as originally paid, he stated that from the communication he had received from the owner, no statement was made favoring this reduction.

I desire to say further that no communication has been received from your Board as to where these classes are to be located if the above premises are given up.

We have received a letter from Mr. George, Principal of the Roger Wolcott School, stating that the class located in the Walk Hill St. building would be taken into the Tileston School building, but we have no record of any communication in regard to locating the classes in manual training and kindergarten which occupy the Tremont St. stores. It is essential that we should be notified before the rental of the above premises ceases; where these classes are to be located, if such is the intention, or whether the outfit therein is to be stored. Will you please give this matter your consideration? By so doing you will oblige,

Yours very respectfully,
H. B. Fisher, Secretary.

Referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report.

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NAMING OF SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners under date of Jan. 17, 1906, requesting the School Committee to take early action with regard to naming the new primary school on the Tuckerman site, South Boston; the new primary school on Howard Ave., Dorchester, and the new model school on the Back Bay.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Howard Ave. School be named the Hawthorne School, in honor of Nathaniel Hawthorne.

On motion of the same member, the selection of names for the other schools referred to in the foregoing communication was laid over for further consideration.

On motion, the Secretary was directed to invite the Massachusetts Historical Society to prepare and submit to this Board a list of names of national or local significance, from which selections may be made by the Board from time to time as occasion arises for the naming of schools.

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CO-OPERATION WITH BOARD OF HEALTH.

Dr. Samuel H. Durgin, Chairman, and Dr. Thomas B. Shea, of the Board of Health, appeared and called attention to the present provisions of law relating to the exclusion of children for a prescribed period in cases of contagious disease, and suggested the advisability of applying for additional legislation relating to the powers of the Board of Health in such matters. They also called attention to the regulations of the Board upon the subject.

The members of the Board of Health were informed that the School Committee would gladly co-operate with them in obtaining such further legislation as seemed expedient, and would welcome further suggestions looking to a closer co-operation between the School Committee and the Board of Health, and the adoption of such regulations by the School Committee as the Board of Health should recommend.

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OCCUPANCY OF PREMISES, 727 WALK-HILL ST.

The Chairman presented a petition from residents of Mattapan for a reconsidera-

tion of the action of the Board in recommending the discontinuance of the occupancy of the premises No. 727 Walkhill St. for school purposes, and transferring the pupils therein to the Tileston Schoolhouse.
Placed on file.

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REDUCED NUMBER IN KINDERGARTEN CLASSES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to inform this Board of his opinion of the best method of dealing with kindergarten classes when much reduced in numbers.

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EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION, PHYSICS DEPARTMENT, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

Communications were received from Mr. John F. Casey, Head Master of the English High School, under date of Jan. 16, 1906, and from Mr. Fred R. Miller, Junior Master of that school, with reference to Mr. Miller having access to the building outside of school hours, and being permitted to use the lathe and other tools in the laboratory for work to be done for the benefit of the school; and requesting that an appropriation of twenty-five dollars be allowed the department of physics as an emergency fund to be expended for repairs and new apparatus under the direction of Mr. Miller.
Referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report.

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TERM OF OFFICE, BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

The Acting Superintendent and members of the Board of Supervisors appeared and were severally heard with reference to the proposed extension of their terms of office.
Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized and directed, on behalf of this Board, to petition the Legislature for the passage of an Act to provide that the term of office of the members of the Board of Supervisors shall be for six years; and that during the present year one Supervisor shall be elected for one year; one for two years; one for three years; one for four years; one for five years, and one for six years; and that thereafter one Supervisor shall be elected annually for the full term of six years.

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TERM OF OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized and directed, on behalf of this Board, to petition the Legislature for the passage of an Act to provide that the term of office of the Superintendent of Schools shall be for six years.

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ESTABLISHMENT OF COURT FOR JUVENILE OFFENDERS.

The Chairman presented for consideration by the Board a draft of an Act to establish a court in the city of Boston for the care, custody and discipline of juvenile offenders.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That this Board approves the establishment of a court for juvenile offenders, and the Chairman is hereby authorized and directed on behalf of this Board to petition the General Court for such legislation as may be necessary to that end.

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APPROPRIATION FOR SUPPORT OF SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized and directed, on behalf of this Board, to petition the Legislature for the passage of an Act to provide that during the current year the School Committee may appropriate from the forty cents upon every one thousand dollars which the committee is authorized to appropriate for new school lands and buildings, the sum of $60,000 to be expended for the support of the public schools during the current year.

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STATE TO ASSIST IN EXPENSE OF NORMAL SCHOOLHOUSE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized and directed, on behalf of this Board, to petition the Legislature for the passage of an Act to provide that the Commonwealth shall reimburse the city of Boston for the expense to be incurred by the city in erecting and equipping a new normal school building, to an amount not exceeding $300,000.

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APPROPRIATION FOR RENTAL OF HIRED SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized and directed, on behalf of this Board, to petition the Legislature for the passage of an Act to provide that the rental of hired school accommodations shall no longer be met from the appropriation of $2.75 on each $1000 of the average valuation of the city which the School Committee is authorized to appropriate annually for the support of the public schools, but that expenditures for this purpose shall be provided for from the appropriations which said committee is authorized to make for repairs and alterations of school buildings, or from funds available for new school buildings, as the School Committee may from year to year determine.

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APPOINTMENT OF PURCHASING CLERK, SECRETARY AND AUDITING CLERK.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized and directed, on behalf of this Board, to petition the Legislature for the passage of an Act to provide that the School Committee may appoint a Purchasing Clerk; and that the Secretary, the Auditing Clerk and the Purchasing Clerk appointed or elected by said committee shall continue to hold their respective positions at the pleasure of the committee.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board adjourned at 10:10 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

January 22, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston, was held in the School Committee Chamber at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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SUIT AGAINST HEAD MASTER, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the communication received at the meeting of Jan. 12, 1906, from Mr. Charles M. Clay, Head Master of the Roxbury High School, with reference to an expense of one hundred sixty-five dollars incurred by him in defending a suit brought against him by J. E. Purdy & Co., was taken from the table.

Mr. Clay appeared and submitted a communication addressed to him on this subject by Mr. J. Porter Crosby, former Chairman of the Committee on High Schools, under date of Jan. 18, 1906, and made a further explanation of the circumstances relative to the matter.

Mr. Brock moved that there be allowed and paid to Charles M. Clay the sum of one hundred and sixty-five dollars ($165), said amount being the actual counsel fees and expense which he incurred in defending the suit brought against him by J. E. Purdy & Co.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the matter was again laid on the table.

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SUIT AGAINST HEAD MASTER, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mr. George C. Mann, Head Master of the West Roxbury High School, under date of Jan. 17, 1906, requesting instructions as to the proper course for him to pursue with reference to a suit which had been entered against him by Messrs. Purdy & Co., in connection with the selection of a class photographer in his school.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to look after the interests of Mr. Mann in the suit brought against him by J. E. Purdy & Co., as aforesaid.

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EMPLOYMENT OF LICENSED ENGINEERS.

A communication was received from Mr. Thomas W. Fitzgerald, Secretary of Local Union, No. 16, of the International Union of Steam Engineers, under date of Jan. 17, 1906, requesting a hearing in behalf of a committee of that union with reference to the employment of licensed engineers in public schoolhouses, also a communication from the officers of the Engineers' Associations of the city of Boston, protesting against the employment of janitors to have charge of steam apparatus in school buildings who do not hold the required licenses qualifying them to operate such apparatus.

Messrs. John B. Moran and J. H. Rice, a committee as aforesaid, appeared, and the former was heard on the subject.

Severally placed on file.

BOOKS AND SUPPLIES, ROBERT G. SHAW DISTRICT.

The committee considered a circular addressed to the parents and friends of the Robert G. Shaw District, by the Committee on Schools of the West Roxbury Citizens' Association, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, with reference to the alleged lack of supplies in that district, and soliciting subscriptions to be expended by the master in supplying the most pressing needs.

Mr. Francis A. Morse, master of the district, appeared, and stated that he believed his district was as well furnished with books and other supplies by the committee as other schools in the city, and that the circular only referred to a stereopticon and such other extra books and supplies as the School Committee were unable to furnish to all of the schools.

The circular was placed on file.

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SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, LEWIS DISTRICT.

The Acting Superintendent, who had been requested Jan. 15, 1906, to investigate and report upon the situation in the Lewis District, with respect to school accommodations, presented a communication addressed to him by Mr. Charles C. Haines, master of the district, under date of Jan. 22, 1906, suggesting a plan whereby the Sarah J. Baker Schoolhouse could be fully occupied, and the occupancy of the seven portable buildings in the yard of the Lewis School and of the two portable buildings in the yard of the W. L. P. Boardman School discontinued, at an annual saving of about $1200.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the suggestions contained in the foregoing communication be adopted, and that the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to take steps to carry them into immediate effect.

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FIRE DRILLS.

A communication was received from Mr. Benjamin W. Wells, Fire Commissioner, under date of Jan. 19, 1906, containing further reports from district chiefs on their inspection of school fire drills.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That a copy of the reports referred to in the foregoing communication be transmitted to the Superintendent and to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, with the request that the suggestions contained therein be given due consideration and attention.

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PROTECTION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AGAINST FIRE.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, Schoolhouse Department.
120 Boylston St., Jan. 19, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

Gentlemen:—I beg to acknowledge your communication of Jan. 17, enclosing the report of the District Chiefs of the Fire Department.

The matters referred to in this report have, as you are aware, been previously brought to the attention of this Board and for the past four years the Board have been steadily taking up the most urgent cases and attending to these as rapidly as the funds at their disposal would permit. Each year in their Annual Report the Board have stated what has been done. In 1901 the Board's first step was to put in fire extinguishers. In 1902 they erected two fire escapes and put in the Auxiliary Fire Alarm system in seven schools. In 1903

eighteen schools were equipped with fire escapes, and in 1904 seven schools were equipped with fire escapes, eight schools were equipped with the Auxiliary Fire Alarm system, thirty schools had the outside doors changed to open out and fire extinguishers were installed in a very large number of the older schools. In these four years the Board spent $46,044.68 on fire protection.

In the report of 1904 the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners reported the result of interviews that they had held with Fire Commissioner Russell and with the District Chiefs, from which it appeared that the Board held an opinion differing from the Chiefs in regard to the reason for putting on fire escapes. The Board had supposed that the fire escapes were intended primarily for the children to use in case of danger, and, with this in mind, had thought that the spiral fire escape, known as the Kirker-Bender, was the safest means of taking children out from a burning building. Commissioner Russell and his Chiefs pointed out that in their opinion the danger of fire in a school building when it was in session was extremely small, owing to the fact that the building was full of people, all of whom were awake. Under these circumstances it seemed almost impossible that a fire, even if started, should gain any headway whatsoever. In case of an alarm and danger, or even the appearance of danger, such as might be caused by a volume of smoke, Commissioner Russell stated that the stairways, the regular means of exit, should always be used up to the last moment that they were available, and that never, except in cases of extreme emergency, and then only under the direction of the Fire Chiefs, should outside fire escapes be used by children.

For this reason the Fire Commissioner advised that the outside fire escapes should be in the form of staircases, which could be used by the firemen to take their hose up on the outside of the building.

The Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners accepted the advice of the Fire Commissioner as being eminently wise and practical and have since then installed that form of fire escape which the Fire Commissioner approved, and have also, with the advice and approval of the Commissioner, proceeded to take up and complete as rapidly as funds would permit, the fireproofing of the basements of the old schools, particularly that portion which adjoins either furnaces or boilers.

By the Act establishing this Board (Chapter 473 of the Acts of 1901) authority was given to employ a portion of the proceeds of the loans for fire protection and during these four years money was set aside from the loans for this purpose. In 1906 all the expenses in connection with fire protection will have to be taken from the general fund for repairs. It is to be borne in mind that since 1901 no increase has been made in the appropriation for repairs, except such as comes from the increased taxation value of the city, but during these four years the Board have erected new buildings to the extent of over four millions, on all of which repair is necessary to keep them up to the standard, and that by the Act of the Legislature, May 25, 1904, the expense of this Department was charged against the repair fund, adding $25,000 to the fixed charges per annum, and that consequently the Board will be unable to take up as rapidly as they would wish the more complete fire protection of the older buildings.

Short of complete rebuilding, it is impossible to make the old second-class buildings really safe, and the Board believe that it is a greater protection to the children to have the heating apparatus carefully safeguarded, so as to prevent the spread of fire from the basement to the upper portion of the building, than it is to erect fire escapes, but as fast as their funds permit they propose to carry out both of these methods intended to add to the safety of the children who are necessarily housed in the older buildings. I am

Respectfully yours,
R. Clipston Sturgis, Chairman.

P. S.—The Board have not as yet had an opportunity of a conference with Fire Commissioner Wells and his District Chiefs, but believe him to be substantially in accord with the position taken by the late Commissioner Russell.

Placed on file.

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DISCONTINUANCE OF RENTED SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The following communication was received:

School Committee Rooms, Mason Street,
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, January 22, 1906.

To the School Committee:

The Board of Supervisors at a meeting held this morning took under consideration the communication from the Schoolhouse Department (referred to this Board for consideration and report by the School Committee on Jan. 18, 1906) with regard to abandoning certain quarters hired for school purposes, and in reply thereto recommends:

1. That a room be fitted up in the Tilestón School building for a kindergarten class, and that the kindergarten class now located at 727 Walk Hill street be transferred thereto.
2. That the classes in manual training now located in the store at 1508 Tremont street be transferred to the Farragut School, and the manual training fittings now in use at the above number, be stored.
3. That the classes in cookery in the store at 1518 Tremont street be transferred to the Farragut School kitchen, and the kitchen fittings now at the above number be moved to the John A. Andrew School, and that a kitchen be fitted up thereat.
4. In regard to the land rental of the portable building on Beech street, West Roxbury, the Board of Supervisors reports progress, and asks for further time before making a final report.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter S. Parker,
Acting Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the recommendations contained in the foregoing report were adopted, and the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners requested to take the necessary steps to carry them into effect.

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RENTED SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners under date of Jan. 18, 1906, in response to an order passed by the Board Jan. 8, containing a list of rented school accommodations, and the annual expense thereof.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report as to the possibility of reducing the list of rented accommodations either by the transfer of classes, or by utilizing portable buildings.

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ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT OF SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Jan. 22, 1906, requesting the School Committee to substitute the title, Assistant Superintendent, for the title, Supervisor, in the proposed new legislation and in the rules and regulations of the Board.

Placed on file.

COSTUME MODELS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Jan. 22, 1906, with reference to the employment of costume models in the Freehand classes of the Evening Drawing Schools, and recommending that the request of the Director of Drawing for the employment of such models be approved.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the services of costume models in the freehand classes of the Evening Drawing Schools be continued during the remainder of the present term at an expense not exceeding $100.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Acting Superintendent, were presented:

Lawrence District—Mary C. Sullivan, permanent substitute, Jan. 17, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—Alexander Miller, instructor, Feb. 1, 1906; Susan M. Thacher, assistant instructor, Feb. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

The following appointments, reappointments and confirmations by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:

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REAPPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Washington District—William A. Reed, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Manual Training Schools—Grace E. Hayden, Springfield, Mass., assistant instructor, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Dorchester High School—Adeline G. Simmons, assistant.

English High School—Oscar G. Gallagher, junior master.

Brimmer District—Nellie A. Manning, first assistant, Grammar School; Theresa G. O'Brien, Harriet F. Smith, assistants, Grammar School.

Dearborn District—Carrie M. Wellington, assistant, Primary School.

Dillaway District—Ida G. Beverly, assistant, Kindergarten.

Henry L. Pierce District—Clara B. Cutler, first assistant, Grammar School; Elizabeth E. Haggerty, assistant, Primary School.

Mary Hemenway District—Ellen G. McTernan, assistant, Grammar School.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Josephine F. Sullivan, assistant, Grammar School; Violet F. Creber, assistant, Primary School.

Roger Wolcott District—Katherine C. Nickels, assistant, Grammar School.

Thomas Gardner District—Mabel J. Neil, assistant, Primary School.

William E. Russell District—Maud I. Carter, Katharine T. A. Hogan, Gertrude E. Merrill, assistants, Grammar School.

Instructor of Sewing—Mary L. E. McCormick.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Eliot School—Assistants, Joseph Kirwen, Medford, from Jan. 2, 1906; Grace T. Pratt, Boston, from Jan. 4, 1906; Eleanor L. McGourty, Boston, from Jan. 8, 1906; Martha F. McElroy, Boston, from Jan. 17, 1906.

Hancock School — Interpreter, Martha Mikels, Boston, from Jan. 16, 1906.

Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Bigelow District—Martha A. Goodrich, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 2 until May 1, 1906; Theobald A. Lynch, Boston, substitute.

Brimmer District—Quincy E. Dickerman, master, from Jan. 4 until May 4, 1906.

Eliot District—Minnie I. Folger, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 20, 1905, until Mar. 23, 1906; Katherine E. Hurley, Boston, substitute.

Longfellow District—Helen E. Chandler, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 9 until Apr. 13, 1906; Elnora O. C. Standish, Boston, substitute.

Rice District—Margaret C. Seaver, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 9 until Mar. 30, 1906.

Roger Wolcott District—Charlotte A. Fraser, assistant, Primary School, from Dec. 18, 1905, until Feb. 1, 1906; Katherine V. Tiernay, Boston, substitute.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Jan. 15, 1907:—

Franklin District—Affie T. W. Wier, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 15, 1906, until Jan. 15, 1907.

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ACTING PRINCIPAL, BRIMMER DISTRICT.

The Acting Superintendent reported that he had designated James A. Treanor, submaster of the Brimmer School, to take charge of the schools of the Brimmer District, because of the absence of its principal, until such time as the mastership shall be otherwise filled in accordance with the regulations.

Approved.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent, in accordance with the regulations, submitted the names of one hundred sixty-one minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of four to be licensed as bootblacks.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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INSTRUCTORS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the following appointments submitted by the Acting Superintendent at the meeting of Jan. 8, 1906, were taken from the table and approved:—

Evening Schools.

Mather School—First assistant, Alvin P. Wagg, Boston; assistant, Josephine Manton, Boston; assistant (dressmaking) Mary F. Dutton, Boston, from Jan. 2, 1906.

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PAYMENT TO CHARLES RIORDAN.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 20, 1906, recommending the payment of eight dollars to Charles Riordan, for services rendered to the acting janitor of the Everett Schoolhouse from Jan. 2 to 15, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Charles Riordan the sum of eight dollars ($8) for services rendered as assistant to the acting janitor of the Everett School-house from Jan. 2 to 15, 1906, inclusive.

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SERVICE OF REGULAR SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 20, 1906, containing a report of the services

performed by regular substitute janitors from Jan. 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive.
Placed on file.

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RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 20, 1906, transmitting the resignation of John J. Dignon, as janitor of the Winthrop street School-house, to take effect Jan. 20, 1906.
Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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COMPENSATION OF JANITOR, AUSTIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 20, 1906, reporting that beginning Jan. 15, 1906, an additional room has been occupied in the Austin School-house, making three in all, and recommending that additional compensation be allowed the janitor, in consequence thereof.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That the salary of the janitor of the Austin School-house be established at the rate of two hundred eighty-eight dollars ($288) per annum, to date from Jan. 15, 1906, and until otherwise ordered.

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ECONOMY IN FUEL AND LIGHT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 22, 1906, containing suggestions with regard to the consumption of coal in school buildings, and appending a proposed circular to be transmitted to the janitors in regard to promoting economy in the use of fuel and light.
Placed on file, and on motion the Schoolhouse Custodian was authorized to issue a circular on the subject, and was also requested to prepare and submit a more detailed recommendation with regard to the use of soft coal in various school buildings.

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USE OF HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. James Frederick Hopkins, Director of Drawing, for the use of the hall in the English High School-house for a series of nine illustrated lectures to teachers, to be given during the months of February and March, 1906.
Approved, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That a sum not exceeding two dollars ($2) be allowed and paid by the city for the services of a stereopticon operator at each lecture.

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CHARGE FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That for the use of accommodations in school buildings for other than strictly educational purposes, a charge of one-third of the schedule rate contained in the regulations governing the use of school buildings be made, with the intent of covering at least in part the actual expense to the city incurred by such use.

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USE OF SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Herbert F. Callahan on behalf of the South Boston High School Alumni Association for permission to occupy a portion of that building on Feb. 22, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 12 o'clock P.M., for the annual banquet and dance of the Alumni Association of that school.
Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rates.

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MUNICIPAL CONCERTS.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Music Department, under date of Jan. 18, 1906, requesting permission to occupy the Bunker Hill School-house for municipal concerts during the present season.
Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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USE OF HALL, ROBERT G. SHAW SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Francis A. Morse, master of the Robert G. Shaw School, for permission to occupy the hall of that building during a part of the last week in March, 1906, for holding an exhibition of pictures, a portion of the proceeds to be devoted to the benefit of the school.
Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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TERM OF WELLS EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles E. Harris, principal of the Wells Evening School, under date of Jan. 19, 1906 suggesting that during the remainder of the term the Friday evening sessions be suspended and the term extended to include an equal number of evenings at the end thereof.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, the foregoing recommendations were approved, and the Acting Superintendent directed to take the necessary steps to carry the same into effect.

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LICENSED MINORS.

Mr. Ellis presented the following suggestions with regard to licensed minors, which had been made by the Board of Police:—
1. Names of licensed minors to be in alphabetical order.
2. Licenses to be issued in card form.
3. Masters to instruct boys more carefully and fully with regard to the law relating to licenses.
4. Licenses to be issued on proper applications promptly.
5. Masters to co-operate with the special police officer in charge of licensed minors.
6. Badges to be surrendered in cases of revocation.
Referred to the Acting Superintendent for consideration.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board went into executive session at 7:20 o'clock P.M.
On motion of the same member, the doors were opened at 8.28 o'clock P.M.

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RECESS.

On motion, the Board took a recess at 8:30 o'clock P.M.
The members of the Board reassembled at 10:08 o'clock P.M., at the call of the chair.

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JANITOR, NOBLE SCHOOL-HOUSE AND ANNEX.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 20, 1906, containing a list of applicants for the janitorship of the Noble School-house and Annex, to fill the vacancy in said posi-

tion occasioned by the transfer of the former janitor.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board approved the transfer to said vacancy of the applicant standing at the head of the aforesaid list, viz.: Augustus Robinson, janitor of the Harvard Hill School-house.

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JANITOR, HENRY L. PIERCE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 17, 1906, reporting that Timothy Donahoe, janitor of the Henry L. Pierce School-house, to whom leave of absence had been granted, had returned to his duties Jan. 17, 1906.
Placed on file.

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USE OF DRILL HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. John F. Casey, Head-Master of the English High School for the use of the drill hall of that school on Feb. 3, 1906, between the hours of 2 and 6 o'clock P.M. for the annual dance of the cadet officers of that school.
Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF DRILL HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Elijah H. George on behalf of the South End Athletic League, for permission to occupy the drill hall of the English High School-house on five days during Feb. and Mar. 1906, for basket ball competitions between teams connected with the different settlements comprising the league.
Laid on the table.

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PUPIL, CENTRAL EVENING HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Miss Anna C. Mason, a pupil in the Central Evening High School, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, requesting permission to be allowed to take but one subject instead of two, as required by the regulations of the school.
Referred to the Acting Superintendent, with full powers.

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COMPENSATION JANITOR, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles H. Kelly, janitor of the Brighton High School-house, under date of Jan. 15, 1906, with reference to increased compensation.
Placed on file.

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CARE OF SCHOOL PIANOS.

A communication was received from the Commonwealth Piano Care Taking Company, under date of Jan. 12, 1906, with reference to that concern assuming the care of the pianos of the various school-houses.
Placed on file.

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CLERICAL ASSISTANCE, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mr. George C. Mann, Head-Master of the West Roxbury High School, under date of Jan. 16, 1906, requesting an allowance of one hundred dollars for clerical assistance during the remainder of the school term.
Referred to the Acting Superintendent for consideration and recommendation.

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SELECTION OF CLASS PHOTOGRAPHERS, HIGH SCHOOLS, ETC.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to investigate the manner in which class photographers are selected, class pins purchased, and athletic meets and officers' parties conducted in high schools, and to report the facts to the Board with such recommendations relating to these matters as he may deem expedient.

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INSTRUCTION IN SEWING.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to consider and report to this Board as to the advisability of requiring instruction in sewing to be given by the regular grade teachers instead of by special teachers of that subject.

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EXTENSION OF PERMITS TO PUPILS ATTENDING BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized to extend the permits to July 1, 1906, of Boston pupils now attending the Brookline Schools at the expense of the city.

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COMPENSATION OF HIGH SCHOOL JANITORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be requested to report upon the advisability of fixing the compensation of the janitors of high school-houses upon a regular schedule, and to submit a statement showing the result of the application to such buildings of the present schedule fixing the compensation of janitors of grammar and primary school-houses.

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CHARGES FOR GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHTING.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Secretary be requested to notify the Presidents of the Edison Electric Illuminating Company, the East Boston Gas Company and the Charlestown Gas Company, to appear personally or by representative before the committee at its next regular meeting for the purpose of explaining the rates charged by such companies for the furnishing of gas and electric current in school buildings.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 11 o'clock P.M., to meet on Thursday, Jan. 25, 1906, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

January 25, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee was held in the School Committee chamber at 5 o'clock P.M., January 25, 1906, the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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WINTHROP STREET SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Jan. 24, 1906, stating that the Winthrop Street School-house, Lewis District, has been vacated, the pupils formerly attending that school transferred to the new Sarah J. Baker School-house, and recommending that the site and building be surrendered to the City Council as being no longer required for school purposes.

Placed on file.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

The Board then went into executive session for a conference with Chairman Sturgis of the Schoolhouse Commissioners.

The executive session being closed, the Board proceeded with the regular order of business as follows:—

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USE OF GYMNASIUM, SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny presented a request from the members of the South Boston Evening High School Basket Ball Team for the use of the gymnasium in the South Boston High School-house on Saturday evenings up to and including March, 1906, for games to be played with other teams.

On motion of the same member, the request was laid on the table. Subsequently, on motion of the same member, the request was taken from the table, and referred to the Acting Superintendent, with authority to grant the same, subject to the terms of the regulations, if in his opinion such action is expedient.

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OPINION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of the Corporation Counsel be called to his opinion, under date of Jan. 15, 1906, with respect to the liability of the city for injury or accident to persons attending games or other exercises or entertainments held in school buildings under permission given by this Board; and that he be requested to advise this Board further whether or not the city could charge a nominal fee, intended merely to cover in part the actual cost of heat and light consumed, for the use of buildings for such purposes without incurring any liability for accident or injury to persons attending such games or entertainments.

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USE OF BITUMINOUS COAL.

In response to the instructions of the Committee at its previous meeting, a communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 25, 1906, with regard to the use of bituminous coal in school buildings.

Referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, with the request that said Board report whether or not in their opinion there are any objections to carrying out the recommendations of the Schoolhouse Custodian as contained in his communication.

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NAMES FOR SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles F. Adams, President of the Massachusetts Historical Society, under date of Jan. 23, 1906, acknowledging the invitation extended by the Board to that society to submit a list of suitable names for schools, and stating that the matter is one which greatly commends itself to the interest of the society, and will receive consideration at its next meeting.

Placed on file.

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USE OF HALL, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. George C. Mann, head master of the West Roxbury High School, on behalf of "The Clarion," the school paper, for permission to occupy the hall and dressing rooms in that building, on Feb. 23, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 11 P.M., for the purpose of holding a dance.

The foregoing application was accompanied by a communication from Mr. Mann suggesting a revision of the present schedule of charges for janitor service in connection with the use of school buildings for such and similar purposes.

The application was approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

The accompanying communication from Mr. Mann was referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and recommendations with regard to a proper rate of compensation for janitors in such cases.

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USE OF HALL, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Charles M. Clay, head master of the Roxbury High School, on behalf of the military officers of the school, for permission to occupy the hall, and rooms 7, 8, 11 and 12, in said building, on Feb. 10, 1906, between the hours of 1:30 and 6:30 P.M., for the purpose of holding the annual officers' party.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF HALL, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Miss Ida M. Curtis, a teacher in the Brighton High School, for permission to occupy the art room and drill hall in the Brighton High School-house, on Feb. 8, 1906, between the hours of 2:30 and 4 P.M., for the purpose of holding a meeting of the pupils and teachers of drawing of the Girls' High, West Roxbury High and Brighton High Schools.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and without charge on the part of the city or for janitor service, unless it shall appear that there is extra expense connected with such use of the premises.

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USE OF HALL, SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. E. J. Powers, Secretary of the South Boston Citizens' Association, for use of the hall in the South Boston High Schoolhouse on Mar. 17, 1906, between the hours of 10 A.M. and 12 M., for the annual Evacuation Day oration and exercises under the auspices of that association.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions.

and without charge on the part of the city, or for janitor service, the proposed use of the hall being, in the opinion of the Committee, for educational purposes.

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FRANKLIN EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mr. Clarence P. Coburn, principal of the Franklin Evening School, under date of Jan. 19, 1906, calling attention to the suspension of the session of that school on Wednesday evening, Jan. 17, because of the celebration of the Franklin Bi-Centennial, and asking if the consequent loss of pay to the teachers in that school cannot be avoided.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent for consideration and recommendation.

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EXTENSION OF TERM OF EVENING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from Mr. Fred A. Fernald, head master of the Central Evening High School, under date of Jan. 18, 1906, requesting that the current term of the evening schools be extended to a date not earlier than Mar. 23, 1906.

Referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report.

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COMPENSATION FOR JANITOR SERVICE, ONE-ROOM BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from a committee of the Janitors' association, under date of Jan. 22, 1906, requesting information as to the attitude of the present Board with reference to an increase in the present compensation of janitors in charge of school-houses containing not more than one room, who also have larger buildings under their charge.

Referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and recommendation.

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NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board rescinded its action at the meeting of Jan. 18, whereby the new Howard Avenue Schoolhouse was named the Hawthorne School, and, on motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That the new school-house on Howard Ave., Dorchester, be named the Nathaniel Hawthorne School.

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MINUTES OF BOARD.

A communication was received from the Chairman, under date of Jan. 24, 1906, with reference to printing the Minutes of the Board, which was placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order passed at the meeting of Jan. 15 with reference to printing the Minutes of the Board was rescinded.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the present arrangement with The Advertiser Newspaper Company for publishing the proceedings of the School Committee at the rate of ten dollars ($10) per column be continued, and that in addition thereto a further payment be made to said company at the rate of two and 50-100 dollars ($2.50) per column for holding, correcting and loaning the type of such reports for use in printing the regular official records; and the Secretary shall deliver to The Advertiser Newspaper Company on the day following each meeting of the Board a report of the proceedings of each meeting for publication in the Boston Daily Advertiser the second morning following each meeting; and shall also cause to be printed at the Municipal Printing Department five hundred copies of such proceedings in the same form as the proceedings of the City Council are printed, at a cost not exceeding one and 26-100 dollars ($1.26) per page; provided, further, that these arrangements may be terminated at any time at the option of this Board.

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RECESS.

On motion, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Board took a recess.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:23 o'clock P.M.

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SEATING CAPACITY OF SCHOOL HALLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Building Commissioner be requested to furnish this Board with a statement of the maximum safe seating capacity of the assembly halls in the various school buildings.

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ANNUAL PRIZE DRILLS AND PARADE.

A communication was received from Col. George H. Benyon, Instructor of Military Drill, under date of Jan. 25, 1906, recommending that the annual prize drills and parade of the Boston School Cadets take place as follows:—

English High School, Thursday, Mar. 29, 1906.

Public Latin School, Friday, Mar. 30, 1906.

Suburban High Schools, Friday, May 11, 1906.

Annual street parade, Friday, May 25, 1906.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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BEECH STREET PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Mr. John J. Conway, under date of Jan. 17, 1906, expressing the desire of the parents of children in the vicinity of Beech St., West Roxbury, that the Beech St. Portable School-house should not be removed or its occupancy discontinued until other suitable and sufficient school accommodations are secured in that neighborhood.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent.

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HORACE MANN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman be and he hereby is authorized and requested to confer with the State Board of Education with respect to financing the expenses of the Horace Mann School for the Deaf.

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BOYS' CLUB, BIGELOW SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the use of a room in the Bigelow School-house be allowed for the accommodation of a boys' club, the same to be under the direction of the principal of the Bigelow Evening School and without expense to the city.

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SPECIAL TEACHER MANUAL TRAINING AND MECHANICAL DRAWING, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order offered at the meeting of Jan. 15, relative to the employment of a special teacher of manual training and mechanical drawing in the Brighton High School, was taken from the table and indefinitely postponed.

On motion of the same member, the appointment reported by the Acting Superin-

tendent at the same meeting of Alexander Miller as teacher of manual training and mechanical drawing in the Brighton High School was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed.

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USE OF HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion, the application of Mr. E. H. George, on behalf of the South End Athletic League, for permission to occupy the drill hall in the English High Schoolhouse, on five days during February and March, for basket ball competitions between teams connected with the different settlements comprising the league was taken from the table.

The application was approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rates.

USE OF HALL, EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the further use of the drill hall of the East Boston High Schoolhouse by the East Boston Evening High School Basket Ball Team shall be subject to the approval of the Acting Superintendent, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion, the Board adjourned at 10 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

January 29, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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CHARGES FOR GAS AND ELECTRICITY.

In response to the action taken by the Board at its meeting of Jan. 18, 1906, Mr. Robert S. Hale, general agent of the Edison Electric Illuminating Co., Mr. Samuel J. Fowler, treasurer of the Charlestown Gas and Electric Co., and Mr. Thomas Hunt, representing the East Boston Gas Co., appeared and successively explained the rates charged by their respective companies for gas and electric light consumed in school buildings.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary address a communication to His Honor the Mayor, on behalf of this Board, informing him of the fact that the School Committee is allowed a reduction from the regular rates charged by the various gas and electric companies, excepting the East Boston and the Charlestown Companies; that the East Boston Company has offered to reduce its rate for gas from $1.20 to $1 per thousand cubic feet; that the representative of the Charlestown Company has informed the committee that he sees no reason why his company should make any reduction from their present rates; and inasmuch as any action taken by this Board with regard to the matter would affect only one of the city's departments, this Board desires to call the attention of His Honor the Mayor to the position taken by the Charlestown Company, and to inquire whether he wishes to take some action to secure a reduction in the price paid by the various city departments to that company for their service.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Acting Superintendent, were presented:

Frothingham District—Jenny F. Randall, assistant, Primary School, Feb. 1, 1906.

Washington District—James A. Crowley, permanent substitute, Jan. 23, 1906.

Schools of Cookery—Nina M. George, instructor, Feb. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dudley District—Evelyn G. McGinley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 17, 1906.

Franklin District—Elvira L. Austin, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 16, 1906.

Frothingham District—Bertha F. Dodge, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

Everett District—Catharine T. Whalen, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 30, 1906.

Approved.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Bunker Hill District—Helen F. Davol, assistant, Primary School.

Christopher Gibson District—A. Gertrude Bowker, principal, Kindergarten.

Dwight District—Grace E. Coyne, assistant, Grammar School.

Everett District—Helen J. Scott, assistant, Grammar School.

Franklin District—Etta M. Smith, first assistant, Primary School.

Frothingham District—Charles E. Quirk, sub-master.

Harvard District—Hattie F. Mason, assistant, Kindergarten.

Hyde District—Jane Reid, first assistant, Grammar School; Mary R. Crane, assistant, Kindergarten.

Sherwin District—Isabel M. Brown, assistant, Grammar School.

Approved.

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TRANSFERS.

Dwight District—Mary J. H. Taylor, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Mary Hemenway District, to date from Feb. 1, 1906.

Everett District—Grace D. Hall, assistant, Grammar School, on probation, to the same position in the Primary School of the same district, on probation, to date from Jan. 30, 1906.

Mary Hemenway District—Minnie A. Noyes, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Dwight District, to date from Feb. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOL.

Sherwin School—Assistant, William L. Phinney, Boston, from Jan. 22, 1906.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:

Assistant Director of Music—Grant Drake, from Jan. 24, until Feb. 3, 1906.

Instructor of Sewing—Mary E. Patterson, from Jan. 1, until Apr. 1, 1906.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted, to take effect Jan. 1, 1907.

Edward Everett District—Clara J. Doane, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 1, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

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DEATH OF ELIZABETH S. KENNA.

The Acting Superintendent reported the death of Elizabeth S. Kenna, instructor of sewing, which occurred Jan. 20, 1906.

Accepted.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent submitted the names of one hundred eleven minors to be licensed as newsboys, and of five to be licensed as bootblacks.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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SALARY DUE SARAH E. McPHAILL.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salary due Sarah

E McPhaill, late assistant in the Adams School, be paid to her mother, Caroline M. McPhaill.

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MANUAL TRAINING TOOLS AND SUPPLIES.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the contract for furnishing tools and supplies ordered under date of Jan. 12, 1906, for various manual training schools, be awarded to A. J. Wilkinson & Company in the sum of one hundred twenty-nine and 86-100 dollars ($129.86), said concern being the lowest bidder.

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MANUAL TRAINING TOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the contract for furnishing woodworking tools for the Thomas Gardner, Lewis, and Dearborn Schools, as required by specifications under date of Jan. 11, 1906, be awarded to A. J. Wilkinson & Company in the sum of eight hundred eleven and 16-100 dollars ($811.16), said concern being the lowest bidder.

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TELEPHONE SERVICE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the telephone service at the office of the Schoolhouse Custodian, and at the residence of the late Superintendent of Schools, be discontinued.

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ABATEMENT OF TUITION, NON-RESIDENT PUPILS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk is hereby authorized to make such abatement of tuition of non-resident pupils as he may deem proper.

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PIANO FOR LEWIS SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That a grand piano be purchased for the Lewis School at an expense not exceeding four hundred fifty dollars ($450).

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GIBSON AND BOWDOIN FUNDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk is hereby authorized to fill orders, when approved by the Superintendent, for books and other materials to be purchased on account of the Gibson and Bowdoin funds, providing the apportionment from such funds shall not be exceeded for any school.

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LABORATORY ASSISTANCE, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That an expenditure of one hundred dollars ($100) is hereby authorized for laboratory assistance in the English High School during the remainder of the present school year.

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MASTERS AUTHORIZED TO TELEPHONE NORMAL SCHOOL AT CITY EXPENSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the masters of Grammar School districts are hereby authorized to telephone the Normal School on school matters, the expense thereof to be charged to the cost of telephone service at the Normal School.

RECESS.

On motion, at 7:13 o'clock P.M., the Board took a recess.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:30 o'clock P.M.

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PROTECTION OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AGAINST FIRE.

The following communication was received:

City of Boston,
Schoolhouse Department,
120 Boylston st., Jan. 27, 1906.

Mr. T. D. Apollonio, Secretary, School Committee:

Dear Sir: I notice among the reports from the Boston Fire Department in reference to an examination of school buildings, as to their opportunities for egress in case of fire or panic, that the District Chief recommends in the Thomas Gardner School that a push button be placed in each corridor in order that the fire drill signal may be given from each floor.

I would say in reply that the arrangements of all the school buildings are such that the fire gong is rung from the master's office in all cases, and the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners do not deem it necessary to provide the aforesaid button in each corridor, as suggested by the District Chief.

I also notice a communication signed by W. Childs, District Chief, in which he calls our attention to a list of buildings, some 25 in number, that are supplied with fire extinguishers and suggests that charges be furnished the extinguishers when needed. I would say that it has always been our custom to keep these aforesaid charges on hand, and when required they are sent to the schools, and the janitors of the buildings are instructed how to apply them. I am

Respectfully yours,
H. B. Fisher, Secretary.

Placed on file.

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COMPENSATION OF HIGH SCHOOL JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 29, 1906, in response to the instructions of the Board that he report upon the advisability of fixing the compensation of janitors of high school-houses according to a regular schedule, containing a statement of the result of the application of the present schedule for grammar and primary school-houses to high school-houses.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to proceed to determine the areas of the various high school-buildings, and to report the result of applying the present schedule rate of compensation for janitor service to said buildings when re-measured.

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BUILDINGS TO BE UNDER CHARGE OF BUT ONE JANITOR.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian is hereby instructed to recommend such promotions, or transfers of janitors, assistant janitors, and engineers, as will result, at as early a date as possible, without causing injustice to the persons affected, and without detriment to the service, in no building (excepting the Mechanic Arts High School-house) being under the responsible charge for its entire janitor service of more than one individual.

COMPENSATION FOR JANITORS OF ONE-ROOM BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 29, 1906, with reference to the compensation for janitor service of buildings containing but one room.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock the Secretary was directed to notify the committee of the Janitors' Association from whom an inquiry on the subject was received at the meeting of Jan. 25, 1906, that it will be the policy of this Board to adhere to the present schedule rate for janitor service.

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JANITORSHIP, HARVARD HILL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Jan. 27, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the position of janitor of the Harvard Hill School-house, to fill the vacancy caused by the transfer of the former janitor.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny the Board approved the transfer to said vacancy of the applicant standing at the head of the list reported by the Schoolhouse Custodian, viz.: William A. McManus, janitor of the Rice Portable School-house, No. 4.

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JANITORSHIP OF RICE PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE, No. 4.

On motion, the Schoolhouse Custodian was instructed to place the Rice Portable School-house, No. 4, in charge of the regular janitor of the main building.

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JANITORSHIP OF PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Schoolhouse Custodian was instructed to report to the Board a list of portable school-houses which are not under the charge of the janitor of the main building to which such portables are appurtenant, with the respective dates of appointments of such janitors.

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ILLNESS OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Jan. 26, 1906, reporting the illness of Thomas J. Hatch, janitor of the old Dorchester High School-house, and that Thomas J. Buckley, substitute janitor, has been assigned to that building, assuming charge Jan. 25, 1906.

Placed on file.

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FRANKLIN BI-CENTENNIAL.

The following communication was received:

Franklin Bi-Centennial Committee,
Boston, Jan. 27, 1906.

To the Chairman and Members of the Boston School Committee:

Gentlemen: I am instructed by the committee to extend to you its hearty thanks for your kind co-operation in making the celebration of the 200th anniversary of the birth of Benjamin Franklin a success by the exercises in the public schools and by your earnest endorsement of the work of this committee.

Yours very respectfully,
Lindsay Swift, Secretary.

Placed on file.

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USE OF HALL, BOWDITCH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Edward W. Schuerch on behalf of the Parents' Association of the Bowditch School, for permission to occupy the hall of the Bowditch School-house on the first Wednesday of every month until May, 1906, between the hours of 2:30 and 6 o'clock P.M., for meetings of that association.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and without charge on the part of the city.

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USE OF ROOMS, SARAH J. BAKER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Charles C. Haines on behalf of the class of 1904 of the Lewis School, for permission to occupy two rooms in the Sarah J. Baker School-house on Feb. 21, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 11 o'clock P.M., for a class re-union.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF HALL, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. Frederick A. Cronin on behalf of the class of 1904 of the Roxbury High School, for permission to occupy the hall, several rooms and the basement of the Roxbury High School-house on Apr. 6, 1906, from 12 M. to 12 o'clock P.M., for a class meeting and dance.

Laid on the table.

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USE OF HALL, MARTIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Mr. W. Lawrence Murphy on behalf of the Martin School Alumni Association, for permission to occupy the hall of the Martin School-house on Feb. 8 between 8 and 12 o'clock P.M., for a meeting and dance of said association.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF BOTANICAL LABORATORY, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Miss Sarah E. Potter, on behalf of the teachers of biology in high schools, for permission to occupy the botanical laboratory of the Girls' High School-house on the second Wednesday on each month of the current school term, between 2:30 and 4:30 o'clock P.M., for discussions of methods of instruction in botany and zoology.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and without charge by the city or for janitor service.

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USE OF HALL, GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Miss Alice May, on behalf of the Boston Teachers' Club, for permission to occupy the assembly hall of the Girls' High School-house on Feb. 5, between the hours of 4:45 and 6:15 P.M., for a business meeting of said club.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and without charge on the part of the city.

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JANITORSHIP, PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE, NO. 51.

A communication was received from Mr. Herbert L. Morse, Master of the Blackinton District, under date of Jan. 29, 1906, recommending the appointment of Walter L. McLean, as janitor of portable school-house No. 51, recently located on Bennington street in said district.

Referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian.

USE OF DRILL HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Mr. E. H. George, representing the South End Athletic League, under date of Jan. 29, 1906, requesting an abatement of the city charge for the use of the drill hall in the English High School-house for basket-ball competitions between various teams comprising the South End Athletic League, and whose application subject to the usual conditions had been approved at the previous meeting, and expressing a willingness to assume the cost of janitor service and the actual cost of heat and light.

The communication was placed on file, and the Secretary directed to reply to the effect that the charge of one-third of the schedule rate was intended merely to cover in part the actual cost to the city for necessary heat and light.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO CHARLES L. HANSON.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles W. Parmenter, Head-Master of the Mechanic Arts High School, under date of Jan. 29, 1906, requesting that leave of absence without loss of pay be granted Mr. Charles L. Hanson, junior-master in that school, in order to enable him to read a paper before a Teachers' Institute to be held in Rochester, N. H., on Feb. 16, 1906.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the application was approved.

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SUIT AGAINST HEAD-MASTER ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Messrs. J. E. Purdy & Co., under date of Jan. 29, 1906, with reference to the bill in equity brought by them against Mr. Charles M. Clay, Head-Master of the Roxbury High School, containing a statement of their position in the matter, and protesting against the Board paying any expense incurred by Mr. Clay in connection therewith.

Laid on the table.

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WEEKLY PAYMENTS TO JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Janitors' Association of the Boston Public Schools, under date of Jan. 27, 1906, by its President and Secretary, requesting that the janitors of the public schools be paid weekly instead of monthly, as at present.

Laid on the table.

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COMPENSATION FOR ADELINE M. NORTON.

A communication was received from Miss Adeline M. Norton, under date of Jan. 26, 1906, applying for compensation for services rendered as teacher of sewing in the Washington District from Sept. 15 until Dec. 21, 1905.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent for investigation and report.

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COMPENSATION FOR EMMA F. SIMMONS.

The Secretary submitted a communication from Mr. George E. Murphy, Principal of the Washington Allston Evening School, under date of Dec. 8, 1905, with reference to services rendered in that school by Miss Emma F. Simmons, as teacher of the post-graduate class, for which she has not yet received compensation.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent for consideration and recommendation.

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INSTRUCTOR OF MUSIC, WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the graduating class of the Washington School, under date of Jan. 26, 1906, applying for the services of Miss Holland as instructor in music.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent with full powers.

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MANUAL TRAINING SUPPLIES, DEARBORN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Mr. Charles F. King, Master of the Dearborn School, under date of Jan. 27, 1906, urging prompt action on the part of the Board in furnishing necessary equipment for the manual training department in that district.

The Board having already taken favorable action on this matter earlier in the meeting, the communication was placed on file.

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TEACHING EXPERIENCE OF MARY M. MURPHY.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny submitted a statement from Miss Mary M. Murphy, under date of Jan. 23, 1906, with reference to her teaching experience, accompanied by sundry testimonials relating thereto.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent and Board of Supervisors.

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AUTHORIZATION OF A TEXT-BOOK.

Mr. Brock offered the following:

ORDERED, That Elementary Principles of Economics, by Richard T. Ely and George R. Wicker, published by The Macmillan Co., be authorized for use as a text-book in the High and Latin Schools.

Laid over.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:58 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

February 5, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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THIRD-GRADE CLASS, DORCHESTER AVE. SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Mrs. (Rev.) A. E. Colton, accompanied by a committee representing the mothers of children attending the Dorchester Avenue Primary School, appeared and presented a petition for the establishment of a third-grade class in that school, and for improved means of escape in case of fire.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent for investigation and report.

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AUTHORIZATION OF A TEXT BOOK.

The following order, laid over at the previous meeting, was read:—

ORDERED, That Elementary Principles of Economics, by Richard T. Ely and George R. Wicker, published by The Macmillan Co., be authorized for use as a text book in the High and Latin Schools.

Passed unanimously.

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OBSERVANCE OF LINCOLN DAY.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, In Board of Aldermen, January 29, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be hereby requested by this board to provide for the observance of February 12, Lincoln Day, as established by chapter 328 of the Acts of 1905, by arranging for appropriate exercises in the forenoon session of the public schools and dispensing with the afternoon session on the said day.

Passed.

A true copy. Attest:—

John T. Priest, Asst. City Clerk.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That on Lincoln Day, Monday, Feb. 12, 1906, all school flags shall be displayed from sunrise to sunset, the afternoon session of the grammar and primary schools suspended, and the high schools close at noon; also that appropriate exercises be held in all the schools during the forenoon, under the direction of the respective principals, whose attention is hereby called to the following extract from a proclamation by His Excellency the Governor urging all citizens to honor the memory of Abraham Lincoln on that day:—

"Let the children in our schools, the children whom Lincoln loved so well, come to their places in the morning only. Let them welcome to their school homes the survivors of the Grand Army that made the Federation a Nation. Let the children hear the words spoken at Gettysburg and the Emancipation Proclamation, and let them join with those living of Lincoln's soldiers in singing the 'Star Spangled Banner' and 'The Battle Hymn of the Republic.'"

OBSERVANCE OF EVACUATION DAY.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, In Common Council, January 18, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to cause the regular sessions of the public schools to be suspended on Friday, Mar. 16, 1906, and that exercises commemorative of Evacuation Day be held in the schools in place of same.

In Common Council, Jan. 18, 1906.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

William J. Barrett, President.

City of Boston, Office of the Mayor, January 31, 1906.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and recommendation.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the foregoing action was reconsidered, and the communication was laid on the table.

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SCHOOL HALLS USED BY MUSIC DEPARTMENT.

A communication was received from Mr. William A. Leahy, Secretary of the Music Department, under date of Jan. 30, 1906, transmitting, in accordance with the request of His Honor the Mayor, a list of school halls used by the Music Department for its evening concerts, and the size of the largest audience admitted to each hall during the last four years.

Placed on file.

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SOFT COAL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 1, 1906, submitting a report from their engineers, Messrs. Hollis French and Allen Hubbard, on the use of soft coal in school buildings.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That soft coal or a combination of soft coal and hard coal screenings be furnished hereafter to all school buildings equipped with fan systems, and in such other school buildings as the Schoolhouse Custodian may direct, the Custodian to determine in each case whether or not soft coal or a combination of soft coal and hard coal screenings shall be furnished.

The following appointments and confirmations by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Blackinton District—W. Hector S. Kollmyer, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 5, 1906.

Frothingham District—Elizabeth J. Turnbull, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Washington District—Theresa C. Murray, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 2 to Jan. 12, 1906, inclusive.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Edward Everett District—Thomas E. Kelley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Brimmer District—Alvin P. Wagg, Boston, sub-master, from Jan. 5, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—Pearl C. Blair, Boston, assistant instructor, from Feb. 8, 1906.

Approved.

Subsequently the following appointment in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, by the Acting Superintendent, was presented:—

Eliot District—Marie V. O'Regan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Dec. 18, 1905.
Approved.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Acting Superintendent was requested, in the event of the renewal of the aforesaid appointment being made, to submit a statement showing the number of pupils assigned to said teacher from the date of her appointment to the time of her proposed reappointment.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Adams District—Alice C. Chase, Somerville, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 5, 1906.
Hancock District—Ethel S. Murkland, Lynn, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 7, 1906.
Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Dearborn District—Anna E. McDonough, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 5, 1906.
Edward Everett District—Elizabeth G. Diman, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Feb. 6, 1906.
Hancock District—Agnes G. Ryan, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 2, 1906.
Hugh O'Brien District—Anna Harris, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 1, 1906.
John A. Andrew District—Maude E. McClure, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Jan. 15, 1906.
Lyman District—Esther A. Kenna, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 1, 1906.
Washington Allston District—Jessie A. Adams, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 2, 1906.
Approved.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Adams District—Rosella V. Sweeney, Mary E. Towne, assistants, Grammar School; Ellen E. Melleney, assistant, Primary School.
Blackinton District—Annie C. Lamb, assistant, Grammar School.
Chapman District—Clara H. Allen, assistant, Primary School; Grace G. Daly, assistant, Kindergarten.
George Putnam District—Louisa Prescott, assistant, Primary School.
Lyman District—Frank E. Hobart, submaster; Mary A. Clark, assistant, Grammar School.
Washington District—Anna E. Haley, Gertrude F. Sullivan, assistants, Grammar School; Alice Neilan, Elizabeth M. O'Donnell, Gertrude O. Oppenheim, assistants, Primary School; Anna M. Mullins, principal, Kindergarten.
Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—
English High School—William H. Sylvester, master, from Feb. 1 until Mar. 1, 1906; John E. J. Kelley, Boston, substitute.
Roxbury High School—Irving H. Upton, master, from Feb. 12 until June 12, 1906; Rosalie Y. Abbott, Boston, substitute.
Dearborn District—Anna M. Stevens, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 2 until Mar. 2, 1906; Katherine R. Murphy, Boston, substitute. Amy E. Lang, assistant, Kindergarten, from Jan. 22 until Mar. 22, 1906; Annie A. Hawkes, Medford, substitute.
Edward Everett District—Sally T. Fletcher, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 5 until Apr. 1, 1906; Rose D. Hoye, Boston, substitute.
Instructor of Sewing—Nida F. Vesper, from Feb. 1 until Apr. 1, 1906; Adeline M. Norton, Boston, substitute.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent submitted the names of one hundred thirty minors to be licensed as newsboys; of four to be licensed as bootblacks, and of one to be licensed as a pedler.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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INSTRUCTOR OF SEWING, NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, recommending the employment of a special instructor of sewing in the Normal School during the remainder of the current year.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the employment in the Normal School of one of the instructors of sewing already in the service be allowed from Feb. 1, 1906, to the end of the present school year, said instructor to be paid, in addition to her regular salary, at the rate of twenty-five dollars ($25) per month.

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PAYMENT TO EMMA F. SIMMONS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, in relation to the claim of Miss Emma F. Simmons for compensation for services rendered by her in the Washington Allston Evening School during October and November, 1905—referred Jan. 29—and recommending payment therefor.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That Emma F. Simmons be paid the sum of thirty-five dollars ($35) for service rendered as a first assistant teaching a post-graduate class in the Washington Allston Evening School from Oct. 16 to Nov. 2, 1905.

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CASE OF MRS. ACHSA M. MERRILL.

The following communication was received:—

Boston Public Schools,
Board of Supervisors' Office,
Mason street, Feb. 5, 1906.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston, Mass.
Gentlemen: In conformity with your instructions of Jan. 12—"that those members of the Board of Supervisors who have not considered the case of Achsa M. Merrill, grant her a hearing on her petition if she so desires"—the members of the Board referred to would report as follows:
After hearing all the evidence submitted by supervisors, masters, teachers and citizens, this committee are unanimously of the opinion that the good of the service does not require that Achsa M. Merrill be dismissed. But the committee would recommend that she be transferred from the Henry Vane School to some other building.

Respectfully submitted.
M. P. White,
J. E. Burke,
A. L. Rafter.

Laid on the table.
Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Ellis, the case of Achsa M. Merrill, first assistant, grammar school, in the Robert G. Shaw District, was taken from the table.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.
On motion of Mr. Brock, the doors were opened.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the

report of the Acting Superintendent, under the date of Jan. 8, 1906, removing Mrs. Merrill, and the report of Supervisors White, Burke and Rafter, received at this meeting, were severally placed on file.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That Achsa M. Merrill be, and hereby is, transferred from the position of first assistant, grammar school, in the Robert G. Shaw District, to the position of assistant, grammar school, in the same district, and the Acting Superintendent is hereby instructed to assign Mrs. Merrill to service in the Robert G. Shaw School-house.

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TERM OF EVENING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 2, 1906, with reference to the proposed extension of the term of the evening schools, referred Jan. 18, recommending that in the interest of economy, the usual term be not extended this year.

The communication was placed on file, and, on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the recommendation of the Board of Supervisors was adopted.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 1, 1906, reporting the services performed by the regular substitute janitors from Jan. 21 to 31, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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COST OF HEATING AND LIGHTING SCHOOL HALLS, ETC.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, containing an estimate of the approximate cost of heating and lighting various school halls, gymnasiums, etc., and stating that in his opinion a 20 p.c. reduction in the established schedule would be a fair charge for the use of accommodations for class reunions, athletic events, etc.

Placed on file.

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APPOINTMENT OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, recommending the appointment of George W. Collings, janitor of the Appleton Street School-house, as janitor of Rice Portable School-house No. 4, to date from Feb. 1, 1906, to fill the vacancy caused by the recent transfer of William A. McManus.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the appointment was approved.

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DISCONTINUANCE OF LYCEUM HALL BUILDING.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, reporting the discontinuance of the occupancy of the Lyceum Hall building for school purposes, Feb. 5, 1906.

Placed on file.

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JANITORS OF PORTABLE BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, containing a list of portable buildings in charge of janitors other than the janitor of the main building to which the portable school-houses are appurtenant, with the respective dates of appointment of said janitors.

Laid on the table.

APPOINTMENTS OF JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, reporting that portable building No. 51 has been transferred from the old Dearborn School yard to Bennington St., Blackinton District, and recommending that Walter L. McLean, janitor of the Paul Jones School-house, be appointed janitor of said portable to date from Feb. 5, 1906; also that portable school-house No. 5 has been removed from the yard of the Christopher Gibson School to the yard of the Longfellow School, and recommending that Patrick A. O'Brien be appointed as janitor of said school-house, to date from Feb. 5, 1906.

Placed on file, and, on motion of Mr. Brock, the foregoing appointments were approved.

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RETURN OF EXAMINATION PAPERS OF CAROLINE WEISCOPF.

A petition was received from Miss Caroline Weiscopf, under date of Feb. 5, 1906, for the return of her examination papers written at the kindergarten examinations held by the Board of Supervisors in 1904 and 1905.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Board of Supervisors, with full authority to take such action as it deems wise.

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EXPENDITURE FOR LOOM WEAVING.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized to expend an amount not exceeding fifteen dollars ($15), under the direction of Supervisor White, for materials for loom weaving.

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RECESS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board took a recess at 7 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:30 o'clock P.M.

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APPLICATION FOR JANITORSHIP.

An application was received from William L. Howard, under date of Feb. 4, 1906, for appointment as a janitor.

Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO MRS. ANNIE L. DOYLE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Mrs. Annie L. Doyle the sum of twenty-four dollars ($24) for services rendered by her as matron of the Charlestown Evening High School between Oct. 24 and Dec. 15, 1905, sixteen evenings.

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CLASS PHOTOGRAPHS.

A communication was received from W. H. Southwick & Co., under date of Feb. 3, 1906, making application for a permit to take class photographs of the pupils in the public schools.

Placed on file.

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BILL OF JOHN MURPHY.

A bill was received from Mr. John Murphy, under date of Jan. 27, 1906, janitor of the Girls' High School-house, in the sum of five dollars ($5) for services rendered in connection with the Supervisors' examination held in that building on Jan. 26 and 27, 1906.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the bill was disallowed.

USE OF ROOM IN WILLIAM BACON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Miss L. Adelaide Colligan, on behalf of the Primary Teachers' Association, for the use of a room in the William Bacon School-house on Feb. 1, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 10 o'clock P.M. for an address to the members of the association, which had been approved by the Chairman subject to the usual terms, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

The action of the Chairman was approved.

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USE OF HALL, GILBERT STUART SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Secretary reported that the Gilbert Stuart Alumni Association, who had been granted permission to occupy the accommodations in the Gilbert Stuart School-house on Feb. 1, 1906, between the hours of 7:30 and 12 o'clock P.M., had applied for an extension of that time until 1 o'clock A.M.

The application for the extension of time was approved subject to the usual charge.

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USE OF TEACHERS' ROOMS, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Josephine Hammond, on behalf of the Roxbury High School Alumni Association, for permission to occupy the teachers' rooms in the Roxbury High School-house three evenings in February and three evenings in March, between the hours of 7:45 and 9:30 o'clock P.M., for transacting business relative to the thirty-first annual reunion of the alumni.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF HALL AND COOKERY ROOM, HARVARD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Henry C. Parker, on behalf of the teachers of the Harvard District, for permission to occupy the hall and cooking room, when not in use, in the Harvard School-house, on Feb. 15, 16 and 17, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 9:30 P.M. and 2 and 4:30 P.M., for holding an exhibition of the Horace K. Turner Works of Art, and candy sale.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF HALL AND ROOMS, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Frederic A. Tupper, on behalf of the officers of the Brighton High School companies, for permission to occupy the assembly hall, basement, gymnasium and two class rooms of the Brighton High School-house on Feb. 24, 1906, between the hours of 1:30 and 6 o'clock P.M., for an officers' party and dance.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF HALL AND ROOMS, BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Frederic A. Tupper, on behalf of the Brighton High School Alumni Association, for permission to occupy the assembly hall, art room and two class rooms in the Brighton High School-house on Feb. 23, 1906, between the hours of 7:15 and 12 o'clock P. M., for a reunion and dance.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

USE OF HALL AND ROOMS, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Charles J. Lincoln, on behalf of the teachers of the Dorchester High School, for permission to use the assembly hall, gymnasium, lunch room, and two coat rooms in the Dorchester High School-house on Feb. 16, 1906, between the hours of 8 and 12 o'clock P.M., to give a dramatic entertainment and party.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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USE OF HALL, SHERWIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Edward P. Shute, on behalf of the Sherwin-Hyde Association, for permission to occupy the hall of the Sherwin School-house on Feb. 8, 1906, between the hours of 2:30 and 6 o'clock P.M., for a general meeting of the association.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and without charge on the part of the city.

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PAYMENT TO MICHAEL H. MURPHY.

A bill was received from Michael H. Murphy, janitor of the Mather School-house, in the sum of five dollars ($5) for services rendered in connection with the occupancy of the hall of that building on the evening of Nov. 24, 1905, attended by members of the Mather Evening School and their friends.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the bill was disallowed.

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SUIT AGAINST HEAD-MASTER, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

The Secretary submitted a certified copy of the final decree and agreement in the case of J. E. Purdy & Co. against Charles M. Clay, Head-Master of the Roxbury High School.

Laid on the table.

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ANNUAL OFFICERS' PARTY, PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL.

An invitation was received on behalf of the cadet officers of the Public Latin School to attend the annual officers' party on the evening of Feb. 22, 1906.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the invitation with thanks.

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CEMETERY, WALK HILL AND CANTERBURY STREETS, WARD 23.

A communication was received from Joseph J. Gallagher, on behalf of the Mount Hope Citizens' Association, under date of Feb. 3, 1906, stating that a new cemetery has been located at the corner of Walk Hill and Canterbury streets, Ward 23, which is a serious damage to property and a detriment to the growth of the district, and requesting co-operation in the effort to prevent the use of the premises as a cemetery.

Referred to the Supervisor of the district for investigation and report.

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ECONOMY IN SCHOOL DEPARTMENT.

A communication was received from Ellen Dexter Harris and Jane A. Thomas suggesting various ways of promoting economy in the school department.

Referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration.

JANITOR SERVICE, QUINCY ST. SCHOOL-HOUSE, MATHER DISTRICT.

A communication was received from Mrs. Frank Griffin, through His Honor the Mayor, with reference to the janitor service at the Quincy-street School-house, Mather District.

Referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for investigation and report.

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DATE OF SALARY OF JANITOR, NEW DEARBORN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the certification of the areas of the new Dearborn School-house, upon which the salary of the janitor is based, approved by this Board Jan. 15, shall take effect Jan. 1, instead of Feb. 1, 1906, as heretofore ordered.

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USE OF HALL AND ROOMS, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The application of Frederick G. Cronin on behalf of the class of 1904 of the Roxbury High School, for permission to occupy the hall, several rooms, and the basement of the Roxbury High School-house on Apr. 6, 1906, from 12 M. to 12 o'clock P. M., for a class meeting and dance, was taken from the table, and disapproved.

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CHARLESTOWN FREE SCHOOL FUND.

Mr. Brock, as treasurer of the corporation, reported that he had received from Dr. James A. McDonald, the former treasurer of the corporation, the several bonds, bank books, and cash belonging to the Charlestown Free School Fund, amounting to $8773.46.

Accepted.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman of this Board, as President of the Corporation, is hereby authorized to certify to the transfer of the custody of the above mentioned bonds, bank books and cash, amounting to $8773.46 from the former treasurer, James A. McDonald, to the present Treasurer, George E. Brock.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That George E. Brock, Treasurer of the School Committee of the city of Boston, shall have the right of access to Safe (No. 4546) in the Vaults of the Security Safe Deposit Company, standing in the name of The School Committee of the city of Boston.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the annual apportionment from the income of the Charlestown Free School Fund of fifty dollars ($50) for the benefit of each of the schools in Charlestown shall be continued until otherwise determined, unexpended balances from previous apportionments standing to the credit of any school at the end of each fiscal year to be added to the apportionment for the following year.

Mr. Brock, as treasurer of the corporation, submitted a statement of the receipts and expenditures of the Charlestown Free School Fund for the year ending Jan. 31, 1906, the balance to new account being $8688.61.

Approved and placed on file.

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ADDITIONAL ASSISTANT, SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

On motion, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be authorized to employ an additional stenographer and typewriter in his office at an annual salary of six hundred dollars ($600).

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APPLICATIONS FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary is hereby authorized in his discretion, and subject to the usual conditions and schedule of charges heretofore adopted by this Board, to approve applications for the use of accommodations in school buildings for other than the regular work of the schools which do not, in his opinion, require special consideration on the part of this Board.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills for the month of February, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk, shall be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Brock.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10.17 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

February 12, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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ADDITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, CHARLES SUMNER DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 7, 1906, acknowledging the receipt of an order passed by the former School Board on Oct. 24, 1905, that an additional kindergarten be established in the Charles Sumner School District, and that a portable building be fitted up for such purposes in the Canterbury-street School yard on or before Apr. 9, 1906, and reporting that such building will be ready for occupancy at the time specified.

Placed on file.

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OPINION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston, Law Department,
73 Tremont Street, Boston, Feb. 9, 1906.

The School Committee of the City of Boston:—

Gentlemen: In reference to your inquiry as to whether the City would incur liability for injury sustained by a person while attending exhibitions or dances given in a school building if the City should charge a small fee for the use of the school hall, I would say that the rule is that no private action, unless authorized by express statute, can be maintained against a city for the neglect of a public duty imposed upon it by law for the benefit of the public and from the performance of which the corporation receives no profit or advantage.

The leading case in Massachusetts on this subject is the case of Hill v. Boston, 122 Mass. 344. In that case it was decided that a child attending a public school in a schoolhouse provided by a city could not maintain an action against the city for an injury suffered by reason of the unsafe condition of a staircase in the school-house over which he was passing. The reason given by the court for this rule is that the city in maintaining school-houses, cemeteries, commons, etc., is performing a public duty and gets no compensation for it and therefore does not benefit in its corporate capacity.

In the case of Oliver v. Worcester, 102 Mass. 489, the City of Worcester had its city hall on the old common near Main street. It rented in the basement of the city hall a store or stores. A person passing over a portion of the common which was a way to both the city hall and to the stores under it was injured by a defect, and the court held that as the city was getting rent for the store or stores it was liable to the traveler because it did not keep the way in repair, although the traveler was going to neither the store nor the city hall.

If the City was getting a substantial income out of a school-house it would undoubtedly be liable for a defect or want of repair in it. If it derived no income it would not be liable. If it derived a small income it might or might not be liable. The chances are that a small fee would not make the City liable, particularly if it was only enough to cover the expense of lighting, heating and janitor service for the night, so that no profit was made. I should be afraid to charge a sum which would exceed the actual cost of opening the hall at night. Yours truly,

Thomas M. Babson,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Acting Superintendent, was presented:

Hugh O'Brien District—Esther E. McGrath, assistant, Grammar School, Feb. 6, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Comins District—Katherine F. Hartnett, Boston, Primary School, from Dec. 4, 1905.

Hugh O'Brien District—Helen M. West, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 2, 1906.

Emerson District—Eleanor L. McGourty, Boston, Grammar School, from Jan. 17, 1906.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Emma M. Willey, Boston, Primary School, from Dec. 8 to Dec. 18, 1905, inclusive.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Manual Training Schools—Arthur G. Hamilton, Boston, assistant instructor, from Feb. 2, 1906.

Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Agassiz District—Ethelyn C. Hallstrom, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Feb. 12, 1906.

Comins District—Margaret S. Lunt, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 1, 1906; Katherine F. Hartnett, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Dearborn District—Michael J. Downey, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Franklin District—Katherine E. Cotter, Boston, assistant, Primary School, fourth year, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Franklin District—Harriet A. Glover, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 1, 1906.

Phillips District—Susan A. McKenna, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, fourth year, from Feb. 16, 1906.

Schools of Cookery—Catherine F. Clifford, Boston, instructor, from Feb. 13, 1906.

Approved.

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REPORTS OF APPOINTMENTS.

On motion of Mr. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to submit appointments of teachers on probation for approval by this board before the date when such appointments are to go into effect.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Quincy District—Edith F. Barker, assistant, Kindergarten.

Washington District—James M. Murdock, first assistant, Grammar School; Alice A. Doherty, assistant, Grammar School.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Bowditch District—Amy Hutchins, first assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 12 until Apr. 1, 1906; Susie M. Smith, Boston, substitute.

Christopher Gibson District—Elizabeth G. Crotty, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 1 until Apr. 1, 1906; Mary I. McIsaac, Boston, substitute.

Longfellow District—Edith Irving, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 24 until May 24, 1906; Amy D. Ferguson, Boston, substitute.

Phillips Brooks District—Matilda Mitchell, first assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 26 until Mar. 8, 1906; Henrietta L. Wallburg, Boston, substitute.

Manual Training Schools—Helen I. Whittemore, instructor, from Feb. 1 until Apr. 1, 1906; Helen M. Ekstrom, Boston, substitute.

Instructor of Sewing—Sarah A. Stall, from Jan. 15, until Feb. 9, 1906; Susan True, Boston, substitute.

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DEATH.

The Acting Superintendent reported the death of Minnie I. Folger, an assistant in the grammar school of the Eliot District, which occurred Feb. 8, 1906.

Accepted.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent, in accordance with the regulations, submitted the names of eighty-four minors to be licensed as newsboys; of ten to be licensed as bootblacks, and of one to be licensed as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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NEW GRAMMAR DISTRICT, WEST ROXBURY.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, with reference to the advisability of establishing a new grammar school district in West Roxbury, having for its main building the Francis Parkman School-house, referred Jan. 5, 1906, and stating that in his opinion such action would be inadvisable at the present time because of financial considerations, and recommending that action in this matter be deferred.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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PUPILS OF PRINCE DISTRICT ATTENDING BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Jan. 8, requesting the Acting Superintendent to take such action as he may deem advisable with respect to children residing in the Prince District but who are attending Brookline Schools, calling attention to the subsequent action of the Board on Jan. 22, whereby the Auditing Clerk was authorized to extend such permits to July 1, 1906, and suggesting that in view of the passage of such order by the Board, no further action on his part is necessary.

Accepted, and placed on file.

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DISCONTINUANCE OF USE OF MT. PLEASANT-AVE. SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, reporting that it does not seem advisable at the present time to discontinue the use of the Mt. Pleasant-avenue School-house in the Dearborn District, inasmuch as the new Sarah J. Baker School-house will be fully occupied by the pupils of the Lewis District.

Accepted, and placed on file.

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THIRD-GRADE CLASS, DORCHESTER-AVE. SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, with reference to the petition of Mrs. A. E. Colton et als., for the establishment of a third-grade class in the Dorchester-avenue Primary School-house, referred Feb. 5, 1906, recommending that a portable building be placed in the yard of this school for the accommodation of such class.

Accepted, and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to transfer some available portable building to the yard of the Dorchester-avenue School-house, and furnish the same for the accommodation of a third-grade class.

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COMPENSATION FOR ADELINE M. NORTON.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, with reference to the application of Adeline M. Norton for compensation for service rendered as teacher of sewing in the Washington District from Sept. 15, to Dec. 21, 1905, referred Jan. 29, 1906, and recommending that she be paid therefor.

Accepted, and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That Adeline M. Norton be paid for service rendered by her as teacher of sewing in the Washington District from Sept. 15, to Dec. 21, 1905, the Auditing Clerk to determine the amount due her for such service.

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COMPENSATION FOR TEACHERS FRANKLIN EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, with reference to an application from the Principal of the Franklin Evening School, referred Jan. 25, 1906, requesting that the instructors in that school be allowed their regular compensation for the evening of Jan. 17, 1906, when the session of the school was suspended because of special exercises held in that building in connection with the celebration of the Franklin Bi-Centennial, and recommending the passage of an order allowing such compensation.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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SELECTION OF CLASS PHOTOGRAPHERS, HIGH SCHOOLS, ETC.

The following communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Feb. 12, 1906:—

In response to your order, passed on Jan. 22, 1906, "That the Acting Superintendent be requested to investigate the manner in which class photographers are selected, class pins purchased, and athletic meets and officers' parties conducted in high schools, and to report the facts to the Board with such recommendations relating to these matters as he may deem expedient," I have respectfully to report:—

I have sent a communication to all the Head Masters, asking an account of their proceedings in such matters in their schools, and they have all replied quite fully explaining their methods which agree to a very large extent in treatment. Most of them have exerted a certain amount of personal influence; and in almost every case a committee of the class has been chosen to carry on this work for the schools in connection with procuring bids from different firms in regard to photographs, pins, &c. The masters have differed somewhat in the amount of personal influence which they have endeavored to exercise, but they all substantially agree in the general method.

I would, therefore, make the following specific recommendations: I believe that these matters should be left entirely in the hands of the Head Masters and that they should be held directly responsible for the work being done in the proper way.

I would suggest that it seems to me that here is a good opportunity to teach these young men and women in the high schools that the citizen will often be called upon to do work for the general good without any compensation; and that here is a splendid opportunity to instruct them in the idea of working when they do not receive any monetary return. The Head Masters should be expected to work up a healthy sentiment in their schools to the end that these pupils will be willing to serve the class in any of these ordinary capacities without expecting any return either from the class or from the firms with which they deal.

Personally, I know of no better opportunity for a young person to begin to perform these specific acts which every good citizen is not only liable, but is also willing to perform for the public good without any pay. I would, therefore, recommend that even the ordinary procedure, which has been customary in many of the schools, for the committee to receive their own photographs free, be discontinued, and that this be presented in such a way that the pupils themselves will see the wisdom of this higher and better plan for doing their work.

In regard to athletic games and officers' parties, which are conducted by the members of the school, I would state that I am very strongly of the opinion that the Head Masters should be held directly accountable for the proper conduct of the pupils on all occasions when they meet together as members of the school at any of these public functions. It seems to me that a strong sentiment should be worked up so that at all of these meetings nothing may happen in any way which will bring discredit upon the good name of the school. Furthermore, I believe that in athletic games a strong feeling should exist among the members of the different schools to the end that a high moral sentiment should control these teams in endeavoring not necessarily to win, but always to play fair and square; that the end in view should be, both for pupils and teachers, to conduct all of these exercises in such a way that all the pupils will receive good moral and physical training in taking part in them. It would be better to cultivate the idea of bearing defeat bravely than to gain a victory unmanfully.

I would add that if the Head Master is to be held responsible he should be given authority to enforce proper regulations.

Walter S. Parker,
Acting-Superintendent of Public Schools.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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LIGHTING OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the General Manager of the East Boston Gas Company, under date of Feb. 7, 1906, suggesting that the installation of gas arcs with opalescent globes in place of clusters of electric lamps, would give considerably more and better light in school buildings for about one-half the present cost per hour for electricity, and requesting permission to place two such lamps in one room of the East Boston High Schoolhouse as an experiment.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the matter was referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners with the request that they make such experiment if they deem it advisable to do so.

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EMERGENCY APPROPRIATION, PHYSICS DEPARMENT, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, with reference to the application of Mr. Fred R. Miller, junior-master in the English High School, referred Jan. 18, for permission to have access to that building outside of school hours, and to use the lathe and other tools in the laboratory for work to be done for the benefit of the school; also that an appropriation of $25 be allowed for the department of physics as an emergency fund to be spent for repairs and new apparatus under the direction of Mr. Miller.

Accepted, and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That Mr. Miller be allowed access to the English High School building at reasonable times, and permitted to use the lathe and other tools in the physical laboratory for work to be done for the benefit of the school, until Jan. 1, 1907.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That the Head-Master of the English High School be allowed to expend a sum not exceeding twenty-five dollars ($25) for such minor expenses as may be necessary in the physical laboratory in that school.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, reporting that the order referred Jan. 1, requesting it to formulate and report a plan whereby the appointment and promotion of instructors shall be made in accordance with civil service rules, has been assigned to a special committee of the Board for consideration and report.

Accepted, and placed on file.

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REPORT OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ON VARIOUS MATTERS REFERRED.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, reporting that said Board has considered the following matters referred to it on various dates:—

1. A communication from Head-Master Casey of the English High School, dated Jan. 4, 1906 (referred by the School Committee Jan. 5, 1906), regarding the preparation of pupils for high school work.
2. A communication from Master Sherburne of the Jefferson District, dated Jan. 6, 1906 (referred by the School Committee Jan. 12, 1906), suggesting certain modifications of the course of study for grammar and primary schools.
3. A communication from Ellen Dexter Harris and Jane A. Thomas (referred by the School Committee Feb. 5, 1906), suggesting various ways of promoting economy in the school department.
4. An order from the School Committee under date of Jan. 12, 1906, relative to the advisability of restricting the high school course of study.

and is of the opinion that these matters involve a reorganization of the school system, and therefore final action thereon should be deferred until such time as the new Superintendent shall have had an opportunity to examine into the same.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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RETURN OF EXAMINATION PAPERS OF CAROLINE WEISCOPF.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, relative to petition from Miss Caroline Weiscopf for the return of her Kindergarten examination papers of 1904 and 1905, referred Feb. 5, and reporting that said Board has reviewed the evidence and documents on file, and deems it inadvisable to reverse the previous decisions in this matter.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, accepted and adopted.

ADOPTION OF WRITING BOOKS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, recommending the adoption of the following-named books for use as text-books in the grammar schools, viz.:—

Morse's Educational System and the Natural Movement Method of Practical Writing, by W. A. Whitehouse, published by Silver, Burdett & Co.

The Macmillan Series of Writing Books, by Harry Houston, published by The Macmillan Co.

Smith's Educational System of Intermedial Penmanship, published by Richardson, Smith & Co.

Practical Writing, by Platt R. Spencer's Sons, published by the American Book Co.

Medial Writing Books, by H. W. Shaylor and G. H. Shattuck, published by Ginn & Co.

The Writing Hour, published by Maynard, Merrill & Co. (substituted for Merrill's Modern Penmanship, published by Maynard, Merrill & Co.)

The Natural System of Writing, by A. F. Newlands and R. K. Row, published by D. C. Heath & Co.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, recommitted to the Board of Supervisors for further consideration.

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GROUND RENT, BEECH-ST. PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, with reference to a reduction of the ground rent of the Beech-street Portable School-house, as follows:—

The former recommendation of the Board of Supervisors that the ground rent of this school be reduced, was based on a statement made by the agent of the property to that effect. Subsequently, on Jan. 6, 1906, a letter was received from the agent stating that "the owner will make such arrangements as will be necessary to continue the school in its present location." The agent now states that the owner of the lot is unwilling to return to the conditions of the original lease, and under these circumstances this Board can only ask leave to withdraw its original recommendation of Jan. 8, and now recommends that the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to take steps to obtain a proper site for a suitable building for the accommodation of the residents in that district, and that meantime the Beech-street Portable School-house be continued under the present arrangement.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners for consideration and report.

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SUPERVISORS TO ATTEND MEETING OF NATIONAL EDUCATION ASSN.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, recommending that the Acting Superintendent and members of the Board of Supervisors be allowed to attend the annual meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the National Education Association to be held at Louisville, Ky., during the month of February, at an expense to the city not to exceed $500.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent and the members of the Board of Supervisors be allowed to attend the annual meeting of the Department of Superintendence of the National Education Association, to be held in Louisville during the month of February, the expense to the city not to exceed five hundred dollars ($500).

APPOINTMENT OF STENOGRAPHER, SECRETARY'S OFFICE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, submitting for the approval of the Board the appointment of Miss Alice Stevens as stenographer and typewriter in his office, to date from Feb. 12, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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CEMETERY, WALK HILL AND CANTERBURY STS., WD. 23.

The following communication was received from Supervisor Carlisle, under date of Feb. 12, 1906:—

In reply to the referred communication of the Mt. Hope Citizens' Association, I report that I am informed that a new cemetery has been so located as to bound the Canterbury School-house on three sides. I recommend that Mr. J. J. Gallagher, Secretary, be informed that the School Committee does not favor the close proximity of a burial ground to a school-house in service, and that it believes such location unfavorable to the best interests of children in attendance at the school in question.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the report was accepted and its recommendation adopted.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 590; SCHOOL ATTENDANCE.

A communication was received from the Chairman of the Board of Health, under date of Feb. 8, 1906, calling attention to a hearing before the Committee on Education on Tuesday, Feb. 13, 1906, at 10:30 o'clock A.M. on House Bill No. 590, an act relative to school attendance, and requesting the School Committee to attend said hearing and co-operate in advocating the passage of said bill.

Placed on file.

The Acting Superintendent was instructed to attend said hearing and to state that this Board sees no objection to the aforesaid bill and is disposed to favor its passage.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 301; MAPS FOR SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Secretary was directed to inform the Committee on Education of the General Court that the attention of the School Committee has been called to House Bill No. 301, entitled "An Act to require School Committees to provide public schools with maps of the Commonwealth," now pending before that committee, and in the opinion of this Board the enactment of such bill is inadvisable, as involving an expense that would not be justified by the resulting advantages.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 591; COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Acting Superintendent was requested to consider House Bill No. 591, an act relative to compulsory education, and to express his opinion to this Board at its next meeting as to the expediency of the enactment of such legislation.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 7:15 o'clock P.M., to meet Friday, Feb. 16, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALDEN PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

February 16, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason street building, at 4 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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SOFT COAL.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, referring to the order passed Feb. 5, relative to the use of soft coal or a combination of soft coal and hard coal screenings in school buildings, and requesting that said Board be notified in advance of school buildings in which such coal is to be used, in order that it may make provision for proper grates and smoke consumers.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis the Schoolhouse Custodian was instructed to comply with the request contained therein.

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GROUND RENT, BEECH-STREET PORTABLE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 15, 1906, with reference to the ground rent of the Beech-street Portable School-house, stating that said Board will continue the occupation of that building for the present, and will bear in mind the future needs of the district, but until funds are provided to meet the necessities of current growth, the Board cannot take any steps involving the expenditure of money.

Placed on file and the Secretary was directed to communicate with the owner of the land on which said portable is located with reference to a reduction of the rental therefor.

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PUPILS ATTENDING DISTRICTS OTHER THAN THAT IN WHICH THEY RESIDE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Feb. 16, 1906, in pursuance of an order passed at the meeting of Jan. 15, submitting a statement showing the number of grammar pupils attending a school district other than that in which they actually reside.

Placed on file, and the Secretary instructed to furnish each member of the Board with a copy of such statement.

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APPOINTMENTS OF JANITORS AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 10, 1906, enclosing applications from, and recommending the appointment of, five janitors as special police officers.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny the Secretary was instructed to take the necessary steps to have such appointments made.

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RESIGNATIONS OF JANITORS.

Communications were received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under dates of Feb. 8 and 12, 1906, submitting the following resignations of janitors:—

Lewis Portable School-houses Nos. 30 and 61—James A. Howe, from Jan. 16, 1906.

Lewis Portable School-houses Nos. 11, 19, 29, 75 and 85—James A. Howe, from Feb. 10, 1906.

Lyceum Hall School-house—Cyrus Grover, from Feb. 5, 1906.

W. L. P. Boardman Portable School-houses Nos. 64 and 80—James McNabb, from Feb. 12, 1906.

Placed on file, and the resignations accepted.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, containing a report of the services performed by the regular substitute janitors, from Feb. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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DISMISSAL OF CLASSES, PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, reporting that the classes in the Public Latin School had been dismissed at 11:20 A.M. on Wednesday, Feb. 7, and that upon investigation he found that mechanics had been at work upon the heating apparatus of that building, and in consequence thereof the temperature of some of the rooms was so low as to necessitate such action.

Referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

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JANITOR SERVICE, QUINCY-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE, MATHER DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, reporting the result of his investigation of the janitor service at the Quincy-street School-house, Mather District, which matter had been referred to him at the meeting of Feb. 5 in consequence of a complaint received from Mrs. Frank Griffin through His Honor the Mayor.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to His Honor the Mayor.

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SALARY OF JANITOR OF HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 12, 1906, enclosing a communication from David F. Sennott, janitor of the Horace Mann School-house, applying for an increase of salary.

Referred to the Schoolhouse Cutodian for consideration and report.

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TREATMENT OF SCHOOL-HOUSE FLOORS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of the Schoolhouse Commissioners be called to the treatment recently given the floors of three rooms of the English High Schoolhouse to prevent the rise of dust, and the Schoolhouse Custodian was authorized to make a similar experiment in one room of the Horace Mann School-house.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, SARAH J. BAKER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the matter of the salary of the janitor of the Sarah J. Baker School-house, which was laid on the table at the meeting of Jan. 8, was taken from the table, the Chairman authorized to approve the certification of the areas of said building, as reported by the Schoolhouse Custodian, and the salary of the janitor was established in accordance therewith, to date from Jan. 11, 1906.

DISTRIBUTION OF RULERS TO SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A communication was received from a business concern requesting permission to distribute rulers to pupils in the public schools after school hours.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny the Secretary was directed to notify said concern that the application cannot be granted.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, CHESTNUT-AVENUE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from John J. Mulligan, formerly janitor of the Chestnut-avenue School-house, under date of Feb. 15, 1906, making application for additional compensation therefor.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for a report of the facts in the case, and such recommendations as he may consider it expedient to make.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO GABRIELLE ABBOT.

Applications were received from Gabrielle Abbot, assistant, Primary School, Franklin District, for leave of absence during the month of September, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was ordered that said instructor be allowed leave of absence without pay from the opening of the term in September until Oct. 1, 1906.

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CROWDED CONDITION OF HALL, WELLS SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Orlendo W. Dimick, Master of the Wells School, under date of Feb. 16, 1906, with reference to leave of absence for one of his teachers; and calling attention to the crowded condition of the hall of the Wells School-house, and asking for relief.

The communication was placed on file, and a copy of that portion of it relating to accommodations was ordered sent to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

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MEETING OF BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, CHARGE FOR JANITOR SERVICE.

A communication was received from J. Frederic Lockett, President of the Alumni Association of the Brighton High School, under date of Feb. 6, 1906, with reference to the charge of janitor service in connection with meetings of the Association in the Brighton High Schoolhouse, and asking for a reduction thereof.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for investigation and report.

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CHARGE FOR USE OF HARVARD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Henry C. Parker, Master of the Harvard School, under date of Feb. 8, 1906, with reference to the rule recently adopted by the Board, to charge one-third of the schedule rate for use of accommodations in school buildings for various purposes, and applying for a reduction of the whole or a part of said charge in case of an exhibit of paintings to be held in that building, the proceeds thereof to be devoted to the benefit of the school.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny the Secretary was directed to reply to the effect that the Board appreciates the point of view expressed in said communication, but in view of the financial condition of the department it feels it necessary to make a small charge in such cases, intended merely to cover in part the cost of heat and light consumed.

SELECTION OF CLASS PHOTOGRAPHERS, HIGH SCHOOLS, ETC.

The following communications were received:

In the spring or early summer of 1905, at a regular meeting of the Lens and Brush Club of Boston, an organization composed of many representative Professional and Amateur Photographers of Boston and suburbs, after various discussion pertinent to the matter, these resolutions were offered and passed:

RESOLVED, That this club take cognizance of, and deplore the unenviable notoriety and publicity given to the Photographers of Boston as a class, by the differences which have arisen between one of our well known Boston Photographers, and a highly respected High School Master, also of Boston, which had finally to be settled by the courts.

Be it further

RESOLVED, That it is the sentiment of this club, that whereas we represent only a portion of the photographers of this city, yet we thoroughly believe that all of our representative men utterly repudiate the spirit and intent of bribery in their business relations with the students of our public as well as private schools, or that it is the wish or desire of any of them that this be done by any of our employees, or other interested parties.

Be it further

RESOLVED, That we petition the Honorable School Board of the City of Boston to request the masters of the various High and Grammar Schools, to instruct and direct all committees appointed on photographs, not to receive or consider bids from any photographers which shall savor of bribery or corruption.

Be it finally

RESOLVED, That the chair appoint a committee who will act in this matter as may appear most advisable for all interests concerned, and in the spirit of these resolutions.

The Chair appointed:

Charles Wesley Hearn, Chairman.
William H. Partridge.
H. G. Dunham.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:—

We, the undersigned, photographers of Boston, feel it necessary for our good name not to let the recent allegations of "photographic graft" spread broadcast in the newspapers, pass unnoticed.

We wish to place ourselves and our calling upon record as entirely against countenancing graft, rake-offs or commissions under any guise whatsoever in the effort to obtain contracts for photographs in the public schools. We do not and will not permit anything of the kind by principals, employees, agents or solicitors.

We have too much appreciation of the many favors done us in the past by masters and teachers to wish their work made any harder for them. We have too high an idea of the importance of the public schools and of the maintenance of high standards in them to tolerate any overzealous or questionable business methods in dealing with scholars. We feel, however, sensible of the rights of all to transact business with the least possible restriction. And as we desire the privilege of dealing with prospective customers in the schools we believe that all possibility of friction will be avoided in the future if the school committee will strike an appropriate note of warning at the present time.

We therefore respectfully suggest and petition your committee to pass an order directing the masters of the public schools to give proper advice to all photographic committees of scholars to avoid becoming entangled in any possible charges through personal considerations; and that all mas-

ters while permitting the class committee on photographs, or the classes themselves, to exercise their freedom of selection, the master should also become conversant with the nature of all such contracts, together with all individual offers,—if any that may be made to the committees before said contract is signed.

We believe a thorough knowledge on the part of the masters, of all the details attending these contracts would very speedily result in so improving the situation that the allegations of graft will have no existence in connection with photographic work in our public schools.

Respectfully submitted,
Charles Wesley Hearn
and thirteen others.

Severally placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the report of the Acting Superintendent, received at the meeting of Feb. 12, relative to the manner in which class photographers are selected, class pins purchased, and athletic meets and officers' parties conducted in high schools, and containing specific recommendations relating thereto, was taken from the table, the recommendations in said communication adopted, and the Acting Superintendent instructed to issue a circular to the head-masters of high schools embodying the same and notifying them of the action of the Board.

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'LECTURE, "THE TRUE SPORTSMAN."

A communication was received from Prof. Paul H. Hanus, under date of Feb. 16, 1906, with reference to a lecture by Mr. E. M. Fairchild, on "The True Sportsman," and suggesting that the subject is one likely to be of interest to high school pupils.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Acting Superintendent for investigation and report.

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OBSERVANCE OF EVACUATION DAY.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the communication from the Common Council, through His Honor the Mayor, received at the meeting of Feb. 5, with reference to the observance of Evacuation Day, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That appropriate exercises commemorative of Evacuation Day be held in the various schools situated in South Boston, on Friday, Mar. 16, 1906.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO FLORENCE M. ROCHE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That leave of absence, without pay, excepting during the usual vacation period, be granted Florence M. Roche, assistant in the office of the Secretary, from Apr. 1 to Oct. 1, 1906.

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RECESS.

On motion, the Board took a recess at 7:51 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:30 o'clock P.M.

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CORPORAL PUNISHMENTS, QUINCY SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That Alfred Bunker, Master of the Quincy School, be notified to appear before this Board at its next meeting to explain the large number of cases of corporal punishment in his school and the reasons therefor.

HOUSE BILL, NO. 838, LICENSING OF NEWSBOYS.

A communication was received from Edward T. Hartman, Secretary of the Massachusetts Civic League, under date of Feb. 9, 1906, enclosing a copy of House Bill No. 838, an act relative to the licensing of newsboys in the city of Boston.

The communication was placed on file, and the Chairman was instructed to appear before the Committee on Cities of the Legislature, and to urge that the licensing of minors under fourteen years of age in the city of Boston be left as at present, in the jurisdiction of the school authorities.

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CHAIRMAN TO REPRESENT BOARD BEFORE LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Chairman was authorized to appear before appropriate committees of the Legislature to urge the passage of various bills which have been introduced in behalf of this board.

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SENATE BILL NO. 180; SALE OF LAND OR BUILDINGS OWNED BY CITY.

On motion, the Chairman was instructed to appear before the Committee on Cities of the Massachusetts Legislature, to advocate the passage of Senate Bill No. 180, an act relative to sale of land or buildings owned by the City of Boston and used for school purposes.

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HOUSE BILL NO. 591; COMPULSORY EDUCATION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Acting Superintendent was instructed to appear before the Committee on Education of the Massachusetts Legislature and advocate the passage of House Bill No. 591, an act relative to compulsory education.

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SENATE BILL NO. 43; DELINQUENT CHILDREN.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Acting Superintendent was instructed to appear before the joint committee on the Judiciary of the Massachusetts Legislature to oppose the passage of Senate Bill No. 43, an act relative to delinquent children, on the ground that the matter requires broader legislation than is proposed by said bill.

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MARY E. HANNEY ALLOWED TO APPEAR BEFORE SCHOOL COMMITTEE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Secretary was instructed to notify Miss Mary E. Hanney, first assistant, Grammar School in the Eliot District, that she will be allowed to appear before the Committee at its meeting to be held on Monday next.

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EXPENDITURES FOR EQUIPMENT, SCHOOL CADETS.

Mr. Brock offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized to purchase for the high school battalion 50 stocks for Springfield rifles, 150 belt plates, and 6 bands, at an expense not to exceed $152.

On motion of the same member, laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of the same member, the foregoing order was taken from the table and passed.

PENSION SYSTEM FOR TEACHERS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman be authorized to request the presidents of the various Massachusetts Life Insurance Companies, having their head offices in this city, to constitute themselves a committee to consider and report to this Board the cost of establishing a pension system for teachers of the public schools, based in part upon compulsory contributions by the teachers themselves, and in part upon the sums which would be saved by substituting teachers entering the service upon a minimum salary for those retiring from the service on a maximum salary; due consideration to be given to the Teachers' Retirement Fund as created by Chapter 237 of the Acts of 1900.

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RETENTION OF EVENING SCHOOL TEACHERS AT DISCRETION OF ACTING SUPERINTENDENT.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Feb. 16, 1906, recommending that for the remainder of the current term of the Evening Schools assistants in such schools be dismissed at the close of any two weeks in which the average attendance shall have fallen below the number authorizing their employment, and that bi-weekly reports be required from the respective principals in addition to the monthly reports now called for by the regulations.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That during the remainder of the current term of the Evening Schools the Acting Superintendent may, in his discretion, and in cases where the best interests of any school demand, extend the term of service of any Evening School teacher, who would otherwise be dismissed at the close of a week in which the number of pupils falls below the required quota, in accordance with the action taken by this Board at its meeting on Jan. 15.

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EVENING SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the usual certificates issued to pupils in the Evening Schools at the close of the term shall bear the signature of the Acting Superintendent and the respective principals.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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PAPER AND STATIONERY FOR SCHOOL USE.

The Auditing Clerk submitted various bids and samples for furnishing paper and stationery for use in the schools, in accordance with specifications prepared by him and dated Jan. 29, 1906.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the bid of Carter, Rice & Co., Corporation, marked "E," in the sum of seven thousand six hundred eighty-eight and 59-100 dollars ($7688.59), for furnishing paper and stationery as aforesaid for use in the schools, be, and hereby is, accepted.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:09 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

February 19, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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CORPORAL PUNISHMENTS, QUINCY SCHOOL.

In pursuance of the order passed at the previous meeting, Alfred Bunker, Master of the Quincy School, appeared, and was heard relative to the number of corporal punishments inflicted in his school and the reasons therefor.

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Jason L. Curtis, Master of the Dwight School, who was present, also made a statement with regard to the same matter in his school.

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RECESS.

The Board took a recess at 7:10 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board, excepting Mr. Brock, reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:21 o'clock P.M.

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DISCIPLINARY ROOMS.

A communication was received from Charles F. King, Master of the Dearborn School, under date of Feb. 17, 1906, on the general subject of corporal punishment, and suggesting the establishment of "disciplinary rooms," a plan advocated in the Superintendent's report of March, 1890, and which has been adopted successfully elsewhere.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Eliot District—Katherine E. Hurley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 9, 1906.

Franklin District—Mary L. Moran, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 16 to Jan. 25, 1906, inclusive; Emma Foster, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 13, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District — Thomas E. Kelley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 13, 1906.

Placed on file.

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ON PROBATION.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Geraldine U. Fox, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from Mar. 1, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Brighton High School — Sara L. Shaw, teacher of physical training.

South Boston High School — Susan L. Mara, assistant principal.

Bennett District—Helen S. Eaton, assistant, Kindergarten.

Eliot District—Clara A. Malloch, principal, Kindergarten; Margaret V. Quinlan, assistant, Kindergarten.

Hancock District—Josephine A. Coulahan, Emma L. Spratt, assistants, Grammar School; Sara H. Colman, assistant, Primary School.

Lowell District—Marguerite J. Martin, assistant, Primary School.

Norcross District—Bessie E. Kennedy, Catherine H. Murphy, assistants, Grammar School; Mary M. Loughlin, assistant, Kindergarten.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Louise A. Pieper, first assistant, Grammar School; Jennie G. J. Cox, Elizabeth A. Nash, assistants, Grammar School; Minnie A. Kennedy, assistant, Primary School.

Shurtleff District—Mary M. Clapp, Winifred C. Folan, first assistants, Grammar School; Mary J. Cullen, assistant, Primary School.

Thomas N. Hart District—Elizabeth S. Tash, assistant, Kindergarten.

Washington Allston District—Annie P. O'Hara, assistant, Primary School.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOL.

Bowdoin School — Assistant (Cookery), Margaret M. Downing, from Feb. 14, 1906.

Approved.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHER.

The following appointment by the Acting Superintendent, in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, was presented:—

Eliot District—Marie V. O'Regan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 19, 1906.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Girls' Latin School — Jessie Girdwood, assistant, from Feb. 26 until Mar. 31, 1906; Nellie I. Simpson, Boston, substitute.

Bunker Hill District—Mary D. Richardson, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 6 until June 6, 1906; Catherine A. Hogan, Boston, substitute.

Everett District—Myron T. Pritchard, master, from Feb. 5 until Apr. 1, 1906.

Lyman District—Nellie M. Porter, first assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 25 until May 25, 1906; William A. Reed, Boston, substitute.

Sherwin District—Laura L. Brown, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 20, until June 20, 1906; Lillie M. Redfern, Boston, substitute.

Wells District—Henrietta A. Sullivan, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 14 until June 14, 1906; Aloyse M. Owen, Boston, substitute.

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DEATH.

The Acting Superintendent reported the death of Esther S. Brooks, an assistant in the primary school of the Gilbert Stuart District, which occurred on Feb. 12, 1906.

Accepted.

ACTING PRINCIPAL, EVERETT DISTRICT.

The Acting Superintendent reported that he had designated Eliza M. Evert, first assistant in the Everett Grammar School, to take charge of the schools of the Everett District, because of the absence of its principal, until the position is otherwise filled in accordance with the regulations.

Placed on file.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent, in accordance with the regulations, submitted the names of eighty-two minors to be licensed as newsboys.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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REVOCATION OF MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of two minors to sell newspapers, they having violated the conditions on which said licenses were granted them.

Approved.

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MEETING OF BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL ALUMNI ASSOCIATION, CHARGE FOR JANITOR SERVICE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 19, 1906, relative to the charge made by the janitor of the Brighton High School-house to parties using the school building outside of school hours, referred to him on Feb. 16, for investigation and report.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to the President of the Brighton High School Alumni Association.

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KEYS FOR TEACHERS, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 19, 1906, enclosing a communication from John F. Casey, Head-Master of the English High School, recommending that a number of teachers in said school be allowed keys to the outer doors of the building.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, CHESTNUT-AVENUE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 19, 1906, submitting a statement of facts with regard to the compensation of John J. Mulligan, former janitor of the Chestnut-avenue School-house, referred to him for investigation and report at the previous meeting.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, laid on the table.

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SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS, SHERWIN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Edward P. Shute, Master of the Sherwin School, under date of Feb. 16, 1906, reporting the loss of three sets of supplementary readers, and requesting that the Supply Department be authorized to replace the same.

Referred to the Auditing Clerk for investigation and report.

USE OF LYMAN SCHOOL HALL.

An application was received from Augustus H. Kelley, Master of the Lyman District, on behalf of the teachers of said district, for the use of the upper floor in the Lyman School-house on Mar. 28, 29 and 30, 1906, between the hours of 4:30 and 10 P.M., for musical and literary exercises, display of pictures and statuary, and sale of ice cream, candy, etc.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and the payment of one-third of the schedule rate.

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DIPLOMAS.

A communication was received from the Boston Bank Note Company, under date of Feb. 14, 1906, with reference to furnishing school diplomas.

Referred to the Secretary.

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SCHOOL COMMITTEE BUILDING.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 7, 1906, with reference to proposed changes in the School Committee Building on Mason street.

Referred to the Secretary and the Auditing Clerk, with instructions to confer with the Chairman of the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners on the subject.

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NUMBER OF BOOKS IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of the Acting Superintendent be called to the average number of books per pupil in the various high schools, which varies from sixteen to thirty-seven, and that he be requested to inform this Board if there are not some such schools wherein the number of books per pupil cannot safely be reduced.

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COST PER PUPIL FOR SALARIES IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of the Acting Superintendent be called to the cost per pupil for salaries paid instructors in the various high schools for the financial year ending Jan. 31, 1905, which varies from forty-six dollars ($46) to eighty-seven and 9-100 dollars ($87.09), and that he be requested to inform this Board if there is not some feasible way by which such cost can be reduced in the schools where the higher rates obtain.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 9:31 o'clock P.M., to meet Friday, Feb. 23, at 5 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABOR COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

February 23, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board proceeded to consider the adoption of a merit system for the appointment of instructors, and a plan whereby their promotion shall depend upon efficiency as determined by examination.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the matter was referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report at as early a date as possible.

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HIGH SCHOOL COURSE OF STUDY AND PREPARATION OF PUPILS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the following items in a communication from the Board of Supervisors received at the meeting of Feb. 12, viz.:

A communication from Head-Master Casey of the English High School, dated Jan. 4, 1906 (referred by the School Committee Jan. 5, 1906), regarding the preparation of pupils for high school work.

An order from the School Committee under date of Jan. 12, 1906, relative to the advisability of restricting the high school course of study.

were taken from the table and recommitted to the Board of Supervisors.

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FUEL REQUISITIONS TO BE COUNTERSIGNED BY SCHOOLHOUSE CUSTODIAN.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter requisitions for fuel from the various schools shall be countersigned by the Schoolhouse Custodian.

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ANNUAL BUDGET.

The Board proceeded to a consideration of a budget for the current financial year.

THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the number of pupils to be hereafter admitted to the Normal School shall be limited; and those admitted shall be selected from properly qualified applicants in the order of their standing by means of entrance examinations.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to consider and report to what number of pupils the entering classes in the Normal School shall hereafter be restricted.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to report whether the number of instructors in the Normal School cannot safely be reduced without detriment to the school and its work.

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RECESS.

The Board took a recess at 7 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8.30 o'clock P.M.

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ANNUAL BUDGET.

The Board proceeded to a further consideration of the annual budget.

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EXHIBITION OF MEANS FOR PREVENTION OF TUBERCULOSIS.

A communication was received from Ellen Coolidge, Secretary of the South End Social Union, under date of Feb. 23, 1906, requesting permission to have a notice of an exhibition showing simple ways of preventing the spread of tuberculosis, to be held in the Old Franklin School-house, from Feb. 28 to Mar. 6, posted upon the bulletin boards of various schools in the South End.

Placed on file, and the application approved.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills for the month of March, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk, shall be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 10.03 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

February 26, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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SAVINGS SYSTEM, EVERETT SCHOOL.

Mrs. A. M. Mitchell, representing the Society for Home Savings, appeared and made a detailed statement of the system adopted by that Society, and applied for permission to introduce the same in the Everett School, stating that the proposition had the approval of Mr. Pritchard, the Master, and it was

ORDERED, That the aforesaid application be approved upon the filing with the Secretary of the Board of a statement from responsible parties that the financial interests of the pupils concerned will be properly safeguarded.

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MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOLS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES.

Frank M. Leavitt, Principal of Manual Training Schools, appeared with reference to the cost of equipping and furnishing supplies for such schools. Mr. Leavitt called the attention of the Board to the fact that the cost of lumber had materially advanced, thus adding largely to the expense account, and made various suggestions with regard to the manner in which necessary supplies could be purchased and furnished to advantage, and was requested to use his best judgment in such matters in the interests of economy.

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BIGELOW SCHOOL, METHODS OF DISCIPLINE.

J. Gardner Bassett, Master of the Bigelow School, appeared and addressed the Board on the subject of corporal punishment, which has not been inflicted on any pupils in his school for several years, and explained in some detail the methods adopted by him and by his teachers for maintaining discipline and how they were led gradually to discontinue corporal punishment.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the doors were opened.

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RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, at 8 o'clock P.M. the Board took a recess.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 9 o'clock P.M.

Mr. Storrow being called away, the chair was assumed by Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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COSTUME MODELS, EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

Mr. Brock offered the following:—

ORDERED, That an additional sum of $60 be authorized for services of costume models in the Evening Drawing Schools.

Referred to the Acting Superintendent for consideration and report.

SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS, SHERWIN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Auditing Clerk, under date of Feb. 23, 1906, reporting with reference to the loss of certain books belonging to the Sherwin School, referred to him Feb. 19, to the effect that the missing books were sent to the Supply Department to be rebound, and as they came with thousands of other worn-out books were probably exchanged for new ones, although sent for a specific purpose, and recommending that the books be replaced.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock the recommendation that the books be replaced was adopted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Gilbert Stuart District—Grace K. Maloney, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 21, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Everett District—Frances M. Bell, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 20, 1906.

Gilbert Stuart District—Grace K. Maloney, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 13 to Feb. 20, 1906, inclusive; M. Louise Costello, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 21, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Sarah E. McMahon, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 6 to Feb. 12, 1906, inclusive.

The appointments of Grace K. Maloney and of Sarah E. McMahon as above were placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the remaining appointments were laid on the table.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Alvin P. Wagg, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 5, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—William A. Hoyt, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 2, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Thomas N. Hart District—Chester H. Wilbar, sub-master.

Instructor of Sewing—Helen C. Fisher.

Approved.

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PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE.

Gaston District—Frances M. Bell, from Nov. 20, 1905, to Jan. 31, 1906, inclusive.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Longfellow District—Ethel L. Sawyer, assistant, Primary School, from Jan. 26 until Apr. 1, 1906; Helen M. Fogarty, Boston, substitute.

Special Class—Harriet E. Lyman, teacher, from Mar. 1 until Apr. 1, 1906; Anna J Harmon, Boston, substitute.

DEATH.

The Acting Superintendent reported the death of Effie A. Kettell, an assistant in the primary school of the Harvard District, which occurred on Feb. 20, 1906.
Accepted.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent submitted the names of sixty minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of two to be licensed to black boots.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.
The Acting Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers, he having violated the conditions on which said license was granted.
Approved.

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ADOPTION OF A TEXT-BOOK.

The following communication was received:—

School Committee Rooms, Mason Street,
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, February 19, 1906.
To the School Committee:—
At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held this day, it was
VOTED, To recommend that The Geography of Commerce, by Spencer Trotter, published by The Macmillan Co., be authorized for use as a text-book in the Normal School. Respectfully submitted,
Walter S. Parker,
Acting Chairman, Board of Supervisors.
Laid over.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 21, 1906, reporting the services performed by the regular substitute janitors from Feb. 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive.
Placed on file.

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DEATH AND RESIGNATIONS OF JANITORS.

Communications were received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under dates of Feb. 24 and Feb. 26, 1906, reporting the following death and resignations of janitors:

Death.

Old Mather School-house—Cyrus Grover, Feb. 24, 1906.

Resignations.

Albert Palmer Portable School-house No. 8—Spencer E. Seales, from Jan. 2, 1906.
George Street Portable School-house No. 74—William H. Bowman, from Sept. 1, 1905.
Little Em'ly School-house—John Buckpitt, from Jan. 1, 1906.
Placed on file and the resignations accepted.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Feb. 26, 1906, on the application of David F. Sennott, janitor of the Horace Mann Schoolhouse, for an increase of salary, referred to him Feb. 19, stating that he sees no reason for departing from the established schedule with respect to this building, and recommending that the principal of the school be given authority to assign the duties to be respectively performed by the janitor and the two matrons employed in that building.
Laid on the table.

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LEGAL EXPENSES OF HEAD-MASTER, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from George C. Mann, Head-Master of the West Roxbury High School, under date of Feb. 24, 1906, enclosing a bill for legal services incurred in connection with a suit brought against him by a photographer, amounting to seventy-five dollars ($75), and requesting the Board to assume payment thereof.
Laid on the table.

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SERVICE OF TRUANT OFFICER, DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT.

A communication was received from Richard C. Humphreys, representing the Dorchester Branch of the Associated Charities, under date of Feb. 24, 1906, with regard to the work of the truant officer in the Mather, Everett and William E. Russell Districts, and stating that it has been reported that many boys in the Mather District are on the street during school hours.
Referred to the Acting Superintendent for investigation and report.

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BOUNDARY LINES OF AGASSIZ AND BOWDITCH DISTRICTS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That hereafter the boundary lines of the Agassiz and Bowditch Districts shall be as follows:—

Agassiz District, for Boys, and Bowditch District, for Girls.

Beginning at the junction of Centre and Paul Gore streets; thence by the centre of Paul Gore street in a direct line to the Boston & Providence Railroad; thence by said railroad to Boylston street; thence by the centres of Boylston street and Boylston avenue to Stony Brook; thence by the brook to Cornwall street; thence by the centres of Cornwall, Washington and Forest Hill streets, Glen road, Sigourney street, Walnut avenue, Seaver street, Blue Hill avenue, Canterbury, Austin, Harvard and Walk Hill streets to the junction of Walk Hill and Bourne streets; thence in a direct line to the junction of Dedham Branch Railroad and South street; thence by the centres of South, Bussey, Walter, Centre and Allandale streets to the Brookline line; thence by said line to its junction with Chestnut street; thence by the centre of Chestnut street to Perkins street; thence by the centre of Perkins street to Jamaicaway; thence by a direct line to the junction of South Huntington avenue and Centre street; thence by the centre of Centre street to the point of beginning.

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KEYS FOR TEACHERS, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the communication from John F. Casey, Head-Master, English High School, received at the meeting of Feb. 19, recommending that a number of teachers in said school be allowed keys to the outer doors of the building, was taken from the table, placed on file, and the recommendation disapproved.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, CHESTNUT-AVENUE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the application of John J. Mulligan, former janitor of the Chestnut-avenue School-house, received at the meeting of Feb. 19, for additional compensation for the care of said building, was taken from the table, placed on file, and the application refused.

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NEW GRAMMAR DISTRICT, WEST ROXBURY.

A communication was received from Jean P. Nickerson on behalf of the Mount Hope

Citizens' Association, under date of Feb. 19, 1906, urging the establishment of a new grammar district in West Roxbury, having for its main building the Francis Parkman School-house.

Also, a communication from Sen. Frank Seiberlich, transmitting a communication from the Secretary of the Roslindale Citizens' Association, under date of Feb. 20, 1906, on the same subject.

Severally laid on the table.

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WEEKLY PAYMENTS TO JANITORS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the communication from the Janitors' Association, received at the meeting of Jan. 29, requesting that the janitors of the public schools be paid weekly instead of monthly as at present, was taken from the table, placed on file, and the application disapproved.

JANITORS OF PORTABLE BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian, received at the meeting of Feb. 5, containing a list of portable buildings in charge of janitors other than the janitors of the main buildings to which the portable school-houses are appurtenant, was taken from the table and placed on file.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 9:54 o'clock P.M., to meet Friday, Mar. 2, at 5 o'clock P.M.

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

March 2, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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SEATING CAPACITY OF SCHOOL HALLS.

A communication was received from the Building Commissioner, under date of Mar. 1, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Jan. 25, requesting a statement of the maximum safe seating capacity of assembly halls in the various school buildings, stating that such information can be given in connection with new school-houses, but that it will be necessary in the older buildings to remove a large portion of the flooring and to expose the timbers for examination in order to ascertain the safe seating capacity in such buildings.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the Secretary was instructed to inquire of the Building Commissioner and of the Schoolhouse Commissioners whether there are any public school buildings in which special precautions should be taken to limit the number of persons occupying the hall at any one time.

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CROWDED CONDITION OF HALL, WELLS SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 28, 1906, with regard to the crowded condition of the hall of the Wells School-house, stating that a number of plans have already been considered for relieving the present situation, none of which, however, can be carried out until necessary funds are provided for this work.

Placed on file.

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WILLIAM E. ENDICOTT SCHOOL-HOUSE, JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Feb. 28, 1906, stating that the William E. Endicott School-house is nearly completed, and that a janitor should be appointed and placed in charge thereof at the earliest possible date.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian with instructions to recommend the appointment of a janitor for said building, to take effect on such date as he shall deem advisable.

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ERECTION OF IRON FENCE AROUND THOMAS GARDNER SCHOOL LOT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Mar. 2, 1906, acknowledging the receipt of an order passed by the Board on Dec. 26, 1905, requesting the erection of a suitable and substantial iron fence around the lot on which the Thomas Gardner School-house stands, and stating that such fence has been constructed.

Placed on file.

LECTURE, "THE TRUE SPORTSMAN."

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 2, 1906, relative to a lecture by E. M. Fairchild, entitled "The True Sportsman," which was referred to him at the meeting of Feb. 16, suggesting that Mr. Fairchild be allowed to give this lecture before the pupils of the Dorchester and English High Schools.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be authorized to arrange for two lectures, entitled "The True Sportsman," to be given by E. M. Fairchild, one before the pupils of the Dorchester High School, and one before the pupils of the English High School, at an expense not exceeding twenty dollars ($20).

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PIANO FOR KINDERGARTEN, TILESTON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Hiram M. George, Master of the Roger Welcott School, under date of Mar. 1, 1906, reporting that the kindergarten formerly occupying hired accommodations on Walk Hill street has been removed to the Tileston School-house, and requesting that a piano be furnished for the same.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, referred to the Acting Superintendent for consideration and recommendation.

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JANITOR SERVICE, STOUGHTON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Edward M. Lancaster, Master of the Gilbert Stuart School, under date of Feb. 28, 1906, with reference to the janitor service of the Stoughton School-house, stating that the same is not entirely satisfactory, and enclosing a communication addressed to him by one of his teachers to the same effect.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for investigation and report.

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SUIT AGAINST HEAD-MASTER ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Charles M. Clay, Head-Master of the Roxbury High School, under date of Feb. 27, 1906, containing a detailed answer to certain statements made by J. E. Purdy & Co., in a communication received by the Board on Jan. 29, with reference to the bill in equity brought by them against Mr. Clay in connection with the selection of a class photographer.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

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PICTURES PRESENTED TO PAUL JONES SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Herbert L. Morse, Master of the Blackinton School, under date of Feb. 23, 1906, stating that the Sons of the Revolution had presented to the Paul Jones building six pictures representing scenes in the life of the American Navy, which have been properly marked, and are now hung on the walls of that building, and suggesting that a suitable acknowledgment be made therefor.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the thanks of this Board be extended to the Sons of the Revolution for their generous and appropriate gift to the Paul Jones School of six pictures representing scenes in the life of the American Navy.

DUTIES OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

Chief Truant Officer George Murphy and the force of twenty truant officers appeared by invitation, and the Chairman announced that the Board had requested their attendance for the purpose of obtaining information as to the character and extent of the duties of the truant officers, and to learn in what manner the Board could aid in increasing the efficiency of the officers and promoting the welfare of the children coming under their observation, and for that purpose desired any suggestions pertinent to the subject.

Chief Truant Officer Murphy then proceeded to explain in some detail the duties performed by his force, and the methods of dealing with truants and absentees.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board then went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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RECESS.

The Board took a recess at 7:20 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board, excepting Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:28 o'clock P.M.

APPLICATION OF FRANK W. CHASE FOR PAYMENT OF BALANCE OF SALARY.

A communication was received from Frank W. Chase, formerly sub-master in the Washington Allston District, under date of Feb. 28, 1906, stating that his services in that capacity began on Sept. 14, 1904, and his resignation in consequence of his election to the mastership of a school in another city was accepted to take effect Sept. 1, 1905, whereas his intention was that such resignation should date from the expiration of a full year from the date of his original appointment, and applying for the payment of the balance of salary due between said dates.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the aforesaid application was not granted.

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ANNUAL BUDGET.

The Board proceeded to give renewed consideration to the budget for the current financial year.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:40 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION COUNCIL 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

March 5, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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TEMPORARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

R. Clipston Sturgis, Chairman of the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, appeared and discussed with the Board the cost of temporary school accommodations during the current financial year, and the amount to be included in the budget for that purpose.

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MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

Charles W. Parmenter, Head-Master of the Mechanic Arts High School, appeared and was heard in explanation of the program of studies in effect in that school, which requires extra service on the part of instructors outside of regular school hours, and the additional compensation allowed instructors under order No. 8 of the schedule of salaries in effect for the year ending Aug. 31, 1906, for such extra service.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, the following appointments by the Acting Superintendent, reported at the meeting of Feb. 26, were taken from the table and acted upon as follows:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Gilbert Stuart District—Grace K. Maloney, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 21, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Everett District—Frances M. Bell, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 20, 1906.

Gilbert Stuart District—M. Louise Costello, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 21, 1906.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Alvin P. Wagg, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 5, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—William A. Hoyt, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 2, 1906.

Approved.

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ADOPTION OF A TEXT-BOOK.

The communication from the Board of Supervisors, laid over at the meeting of Feb. 26, recommending the adoption of The Geography of Commerce, by Spencer Trotter, for use as a text-book in the Normal School, was placed on file.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:—

ORDERED, That The Geography of Commerce, by Spencer Trotter, published by The Macmillan Co., be authorized for use as a text-book in the Normal School.

Laid over.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Acting Superintendent, was presented:

Washington District—Grace H. Clifton, assistant, Grammar School, Mar. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Harvard District—Grace A. Tully, Boston, Primary School, from Feb. 21, 1906.

Approved.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' High School—Clara A. Hawthorne, Boston, assistant, from Mar. 13, 1906.

Agassiz District—Francis J. Field, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 13, 1906.

Phillips District—Rose E. Lyons, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 8, 1906.

William E. Russell District—Mary K. Corbett, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 26, 1906.

Approved.

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The following appointments by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations and special orders passed by the Board on Sept. 26, 1905, and Jan. 12, 1906, respectively, were presented:—

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Blackinton District—Hazel E. Poole, Milton, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 13, 1906.

Dudley District—Evelyn G. McGinley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 19, 1906.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Bowdoin District—Annetta F. Armes, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 1 until July 1, 1906; Hattie H. Batson, Boston, substitute. Mary W. French, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 7 until Apr. 1, 1906; David Fliegelman, Boston, substitute. May A. Treen, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 7 until July 1, 1906; Georgiana Charleston, Boston, substitute.

Norcross District—Ann E. Newell, first assistant, Primary School, from Feb. 5 until Apr. 1, 1906; Ellen J. Brosnahan, Boston, substitute.

Phillips Brooks District—Matilda Mitchell, first assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 8 until Apr. 1, 1906; Henrietta L. Wallburg, Boston, substitute.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent submitted the names of sixty-one minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of one to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

COSTUME MODELS, EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, reporting on the order referred to him, Feb. 26, with reference to an additional expenditure of $60 for services of costume models in the Evening Drawing Schools, and stating that in his opinion said amount should be provided by the Board.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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COMPLETION OF WILLIAM E. ENDICOTT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, stating that the William E. Endicott School-house is practically completed, the furniture is being installed therein, and that within ten days or a fortnight the building will be ready for occupancy.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to call the attention of the Acting Superintendent thereto.

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OLD WINTHROP-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Acting Superintendent be requested to report whether or not there is any probability of the old Winthrop-street School-house again being occupied for school purposes.

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SUSPENSION OF SESSION, PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, reporting that the session of the Public Latin School was suspended on Feb. 28, on account of the building not being sufficiently warm for occupancy; that the janitor reports that it was impossible to sufficiently heat the building on that day, and that it is not an unusual occurrence for the school to be closed for this cause each year.

Referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

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OLD MATHER SCHOOL-HOUSE, JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, enclosing a communication from Edward Southworth, Master of the Mather School, containing a recommendation with regard to the selection of a janitor to fill the vacancy in the Old Mather School-house; also a communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 3, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the aforesaid position.

Severally laid over.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 1, 1906, reporting the services performed by the regular substitute janitors from Feb. 21 to 28, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITOR SERVICE, STOUGHTON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, reporting the result of his investigation of the janitor service of the Stoughton School-house, referred to him at the meeting of Mar. 2, stating that he has visited this building a number of times since the present janitor was transferred thereto, and on every occasion except one, which was two days after his transfer, found the school-house exceptionally clean and well heated; that the heating apparatus is properly adjusted, and that the janitor gives every indication of rendering efficient and faithful service.

Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to the master of the district.

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BRIGHTON HIGH SCHOOL, HEATING APPARATUS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, with reference to the illness of the janitor of the Brighton High School-house, and the difficulty experienced by a substitute janitor placed in charge of that building in familiarizing himself with the operation of the heating apparatus on short notice, and recommending that numbered metal tags be attached to the principal valves of heating plants of a complicated nature, and that directions as to the operation of such plants with proper reference to such tags be kept on file in each building in order that delay and inconvenience may be avoided when the regular janitor is absent and a temporary substitute janitor is placed in charge of the apparatus.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the recommendation as aforesaid was adopted.

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SHOWER BATHS, LOWELL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from E. Emmons Grover, Master of the Lowell District, under date of Mar. 2, 1906, requesting permission to allow his pupils to use the shower baths in the basement of the Lowell School-house during the remainder of the current term without any expense to the city for janitor or matron service.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the application was granted.

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CLASS IN SALESMANSHIP AND BOYS' CLUB, BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was,

ORDERED, That the class in salesmanship and the boys' club, now meeting in the Bigelow School-house, be permitted to continue such occupancy during the remainder of the current month, provided that the principal of the Bigelow Evening School shall be in charge thereof, and no expense shall thereby be incurred by the city.

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USE OF DRILL HALL, EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Patrick L. Crowley, on behalf of the East Boston Athletic Association, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, for permission to occupy the drill hall in the East Boston High School-house, on Mar. 10, 17 and 24, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 10 o'clock P.M., for the purpose of playing basket ball.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENTS OF JANITORS AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

The Secretary reported that the commissions of those janitors who had been appointed special police officers during the past year will expire on the 31st day of March, 1906, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be instructed to take the necessary steps to have such janitors reappointed as special police officers for the ensuing year.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO CAROLINE E. MORSE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, leave of absence, without pay, was granted Caroline E. Morse, first assistant, Primary School, in the Warren District, from Sept. 20, 1906, until June 6, 1907.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO LIZZIE J. FITZGERALD.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, leave of absence was granted Lizzie J. Fitzgerald, teacher of commercial branches, East Boston High School, from Mar. 19 until June 19, 1906, and the employment of Mary B. Lippincott, of Cambridge, as her substitute, was approved.

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RECESS.

The Board took a recess at 7 o'clock P.M.
The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:15 o'clock P.M.

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MATERIAL FOR COLOR INSTRUCTION, PRIMARY AND GRAMMAR GRADES.

J. Frederick Hopkins, Director of Drawing, appeared and was heard with regard to supplying material for color instruction in the primary and grammar grades, and requested that an expenditure not exceeding $650 be allowed for the purchase of colored crayons for such instruction in grades one to six, inclusive.
Laid over.

RULES.

The Board proceeded to a further consideration of a set of proposed rules, action thereon being deferred.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.
On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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CASE OF MRS. ACHSA M. MERRILL.

A communication was received from Mrs. Achsa M. Merrill, under date of Feb. 10, 1906, requesting further consideration of her case as acted upon by the Board at its meeting of Feb. 5.
Laid on the table.
Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that the order passed at the meeting of Feb. 5, whereby Achsa M. Merrill was transferred from the position of first assistant, grammar school, in the Robert G. Shaw District, to the position of assistant, grammar school, in the same district, and the Acting Superintendent was instructed to assign her to service in the Robert G. Shaw School-house, be rescinded.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, the motion to rescind was laid on the table.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 10:40 o'clock P.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

March 12, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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ADOPTION OF TEXT-BOOK.

The following order, laid over at the last meeting, was read:—

ORDERED, That The Geography of Commerce, by Spencer Trotter, published by The Macmillan Co., be authorized for use as a text-book in the Normal School.

Passed by a vote of 4 to 0.

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SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL, PAINTING COMMEMORATIVE OF EVACUATION OF BOSTON.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Board of Aldermen, February 19, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested to purchase a suitable painting commemorative of the Evacuation of the City of Boston by the British in 1776; the same to be placed in the South Boston High School Hall.

Passed. Sent down for concurrence. March 1 came up concurred.

Approved by the Mayor March 3, 1906.

A true copy. Attest:—

John T. Priest. Asst. City Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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SCHOOL CADETS TO PARADE EVACUATION DAY.

A communication was received from John F. Dever, Clerk of Committees, under date of Mar. 12, 1906, requesting in behalf of the committee in charge of the celebration of Evacuation Day, that the school cadets be permitted to take part in the parade to be held in South Boston on that day.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny the Acting Superintendent and the Instructor of Military Drill were requested to arrange for the South Boston and Dorchester High School battalions and the field music connected with the English High School to participate in the parade to be held in South Boston on Evacuation Day, Mar. 17, 1906, weather permitting.

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OLD MATHER SCHOOL-HOUSE JANITOR.

The communications received at the last meeting, with reference to the selection of a janitor to fill the vacancy in the Old Mather School-house, were taken up, and Edward M. Southworth, Master of the District, appeared and was heard on the subject.

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A communication was also received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 12, 1906, calling attention to the aforesaid vacancy in connection with the order passed by the Board at its meeting of Jan. 29, with reference to school-houses being under the responsible charge for their entire janitor service of not more than one individual, with particular reference to the employment of Charles J. Hurlbert as assistant janitor of the Girls' High School-house.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the whole matter was laid on the table.

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The following appointments by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Brimmer District—Mary E. Fennelly, Boston, Primary School, from Feb. 28 to Mar. 6, 1906, inclusive. Martha F. McElroy, Boston, Primary School, from Mar. 7, 1906.

Gilbert Stuart District—John C. Riley, Boston, Grammar School, from Mar. 5, 1906.

Minot District—Gertrude A. Power, Boston, Grammar School, from Feb. 19, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Washington District—James A. Crowley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Jan. 23, 1906.

Placed on file.

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ON PROBATION.

Dwight District—Margaret L. Carolan, Boston, assistant, Primary School, third year, from Mar. 20, 1906.

Frothingham District—Frances L. Nickerson, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Mar. 20, 1906.

Approved.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Dorchester High School—Joseph H. Hawes, teacher of manual training and mechanical drawing.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Carolyn I. Lynch, Elizabeth R. Phelan, assistants, Primary School.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Girls' High School—Zephirine N. Brown, assistant, from Apr. 1 until July 1, 1906; Henry W. Kirmayer, Boston, substitute.

Bunker Hill District—Angelia M. Knowles, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 14 until June 14, 1906; Regina M. Hart, Boston, substitute.

Dearborn District—Anna M. Stevens, assistant, Primary School, from Mar. 2 until Apr. 1, 1906; Katherine R. Murphy, Boston, substitute.

Instructor of Sewing—Mary F. Doherty, from Mar. 20 until July 1, 1906. Helena M. Doherty, Boston, substitute.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent submitted the names of forty-five minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of four to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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ADOPTION OF SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

The following communication was received:—

School Committee Rooms, Mason street,
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, March 12, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held March 9, 1906, it was

VOTED, To inform the School Committee that the Board of Supervisors renews the recommendation made by it, under date of Dec. 18, 1905, to approve the authorization of A Primer of the Civil Service and the Merit System, published by The Women's Auxiliary to the New York Civil Service Reform Association and The Women's Auxiliary of the Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Association, for use as supplementary books in the grammar schools,—and The Civil Service; the Merit System; The Spoil's System, by Edward Cary, published for the Women's Auxiliary of the Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Association, for use as supplementary books in the high schools, the same to be without expense to the city.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter S. Parker,
Acting-Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

Placed on file.

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Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books, the same to be without expense to the city:—

A Primer of the Civil Service and the Merit System, published by The Women's Auxiliary to the New York Civil Service Reform Association and The Women's Auxiliary of the Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Association—for grammar schools.

The Civil Service; The Merit System; The Spoil's System, by Edward Cary, published for The Women's Auxiliary of the Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Association—for high schools.

Laid over.

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ADOPTION OF A TEXT-BOOK.

The following communication was received:—

School Committee Rooms, Mason street,
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, March 12, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

At a meeting of the Board of Supervisors held March 9, 1906, it was

VOTED, To recommend that Harmony: Its Theory and Practice, by Ebenezer Prout, published by Augener & Co. (London), be authorized for use as a text-book in the high schools.

Respectfully submitted,
Walter S. Parker,
Acting-Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

Placed on file.

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Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That Harmony: Its Theory and Practice, by Ebenezer Prout, published by Augener & Co. (London), be authorized for use as a text-book in the high schools.

Laid over.

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SEATING CAPACITY OF SCHOOL HALLS.

A communication was received from Edwin J. Turner, Deputy Building Commissioner, under date of Mar. 6, 1906, in response to the inquiry made by the Board as to whether there are any public school buildings in which special precautions should be taken to limit the number of persons occupying the hall at any one time, stating that he has no knowledge of any such buildings, but suggesting that the provisions of Section 55, Chapter 419, Acts of 1892, as amended, by Statutes of 1895, Chapter 280, be followed in reference to all such buildings, allowing that they were designed to safely maintain a load of one hundred and fifty pounds exclusive of materials per superficial square foot.

Placed on file.

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SUSPENSION OF SESSION, PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Mar. 7, 1906, with reference to the suspension of the session of the Public Latin School on Feb. 28, because of insufficient heat, referred Mar. 5, and stating that it is proposed to take steps to have any defective conditions with reference to the heating of this building remedied.

Placed on file.

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TREATMENT OF FLOORS, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners under date of Mar. 8, with reference to the treatment of floors of certain rooms in the English High School-house with a dust layer, and advising that school-room floors should be treated with linseed oil, never washed, but cleaned with brushes and some material that will prevent the rise of dust when the floors are being swept.

Laid on the table.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 12, 1906, reporting the services performed by the regular substitute janitors from Mar. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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WILLIAM E. ENDICOTT SCHOOL-HOUSE, JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 10, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the William E. Endicott School-house.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny the Board approved the transfer to said position of the applicant standing at the head of the aforesaid list; viz., Charles L. Glidden, janitor of the Lyman School-house, the transfer to take effect Mar. 14, 1906.

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ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Charles L. Adams, Principal of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, stating that the Schoolhouse Commissioners had determined to transfer that school from its present location on Washington street to the hall of the Old Dearborn School-house, and stating, with his reasons therefor, that in his opinion this change should be strongly opposed.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report.

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COMPENSATION FOR TEACHERS, FRANKLIN EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Edward Crosby, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, requesting favorable action on the application of the teachers of the Franklin Evening School that they be allowed their regular compensation for the evening of Jan. 17, 1906, when the session of the school was suspended because of special exercises held in that building in connection with the celebration of the Franklin Bi-Centennial.

Laid on the table.

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BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the graduating exercises of the Bigelow Evening School be held in the hall of the Bigelow School-house on Friday evening, Mar. 16, 1906.

PIANO FOR LEWIS SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Steinertone piano in the warerooms of the M. Steinert & Sons Company, selected by the Director of Music and the master of the Lewis School, be purchased for said school at an expense not to exceed four hundred and fifty dollars ($450).

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SUPPLIES FOR MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Mechanic Arts High School be allowed thirteen hundred and twenty-two dollars ($1,322), of which ten hundred and sixty-two dollars ($1,062) is estimated as the cost of metal, stock, tools, and miscellaneous supplies, and two hundred and sixty dollars ($260) for lumber; the same to cover the cost for the mechanical departments of the Mechanic Arts High School for the financial year 1906-1907.

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ELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board proceeded to the election of a superintendent of public schools.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny submitted the following statement:—

One of the most important duties that the School Committee of Boston will have to perform during the year is the selection of a Superintendent of Schools.

Since the sudden death of our late lamented Superintendent, George H. Conley, in December, this Committee has had before it as a duty soon to be fulfilled, the responsibility of finding the right man for this most important position.

I feel that in justice to the schools, the community and ourselves, there should be a full discussion of this matter and that it is clearly our duty to give our reasons for our action here tonight.

After a thorough investigation of the merits of the respective candidates for Superintendent of Schools and bringing to the task my best judgment after a service of six years, on the School Committee, I unhesitatingly and confidently announce as my choice for this position, Supervisor J. E. Burke, and for him I shall vote here tonight.

I am firmly of the opinion that by temperament, training and conspicuous ability Mr. Burke is the best man to fill this important post in our great cosmopolitan city.

I should always prefer, other things being equal, to have for Superintendent, a man who has been trained as scholar and teacher in the schools of New England, one who is and has been in closest touch with the best traditions of the schools here, whose knowledge and experience have been gained under the best teachers and masters here in New England.

We should have a man for Superintendent who knows school work not only in part but in its entirety, from kindergarten to college; one who is familiar from his experience with the large administrative problems of the whole school system.

Our Superintendent should be a man whose experience has been broad, whose career has been a successful training for this high position; a man whose personality is strong and whose ability is publicly acknowledged to be of a high order. Such a man I believe Mr. Burke to be.

Mr. Burke's professional career is open to closest scrutiny. One has not far to travel to learn for himself by observation of results accomplished, what manner of man he is, what his success has been in this very work of superintendency.

Graduating from Colby College, in 1890, Mr. Burke soon became Superintendent of Schools in his college town, Waterville, Maine. Thence he was called after two successful years, to our own State, to the City of Marlborough. Here he undertook and accomplished a complete change in the school system and the plans and policy then outlined and started by him have since been pursued with most gratifying results.

We next find him at the head of one of the largest school systems in the State, in the City of Lawrence, where for ten years he labored most assiduously, bringing about many radical reforms, notable among these was the reducing of the elementary school period from 9 to 8 years, and in this he was in advance of most of the cities of the state. An evening high school was established which had a complete course prescribed and where a regular high school education was given. A Normal School was maintained with a corps of critic-teachers and attended by pupil-teachers in training. Under Mr. Burke's admininstration this school was incorporated as a part of the Lowell State Normal School, and the plan inaugurated stands unique as a departure in the training of public school teachers. The entire school system was harmonized; a spirit of unity was promoted among the teachers throughout that city and when Mr. Burke resigned from Lawrence to come to Boston, he left a magnificent school system, second to none in our entire State.

As I have said, these results have been attained by Mr. Burke near at hand, where investigation can be made easily and under conditions that have attracted the most favorable comment from educators who knew his task and have seen the results.

For two years past Mr. Burke has been filling the position of Supervisor in Boston. Here again his course has been marked by originality and progressive ideas. Going about from school to school in his districts, in constant communication with masters and teachers, Mr. Burke has been able by reason of his years of experience to do the work of supervision and direction to the entire satisfaction of all concerned. To promote a closer spirit of harmony, he has held frequent conferences with his teachers and a strong spirit of co-operation which educators are so anxious to secure has thus been created.

If you would know of his work in Boston, ask the teachers in Boston, talk with the parents of the school children who have sought his advice, consider carefully the morale, and the discipline of his schools as well as the results attained, and I feel that the verdict must be that Mr. Burke is just the man for Superintendent of Boston's schools.

Like my associates on this Board, I am not an educator by profession, but I bring to my duties as school-committeeman my best judgment. Facts are hard things to overcome; Waterville, Marlborough, Lawrence and Boston tell the story! Results speak for themselves!

It is a matter of pride to me to know that my judgment of Mr. Burke's fitness for this position is endorsed by many educators—men skilled in school-work and men who know Mr. Burke's successful record.

Among others the following prominent educators have given Mr. Burke their endorsement for the position of Superintendent of Boston's schools:—

W. W. Stetson, State Superintendent of Schools of Maine, and President of the National Association of School Superintendents;

Rev. Dr. Charles L. White, President of Colby College;

Dr. Albion W. Small, Dean of the Department of Sociology, Chicago University;

Dr. Nathaniel Butler, Professor in Chicago University;

Dr. Shailer Matthews, Dean of the Divinity School, Chicago University;

Frank F. Coburn, Principal Lowell State Normal School;

J. Ashbury Pitman, Principal Salem State Normal School;
Bernard M. Sheridan, Superintendent of Schools of Lawrence;
William C. Bates, Superintendent of Schools of Cambridge;
Stanley H. Holmes, Superintendent of Schools of Haverhill;
William H. Brownson, Superintendent of Schools of Portland, Maine.

I respectfully submit this report as a part of the records of this meeting.

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Mr. Storrow presented the following statement:

I appreciate most keenly the grave responsibility which has rested upon us as members of the School Committee, in selecting a superintendent.

We have taken plenty of time, have looked over the entire country, and have considered numerous men, several of whom possess many qualifications for the position.

The people of Boston have for many years shown their desire to have the best schools possible by cheerfully providing a sum of money per pupil in excess of that expended in any other city in the country, with the single exception of the city of New York.

In considering our problem of selecting a superintendent, I have assumed that the citizens wanted at the head of the system the very best man we could find in the United States, and did not want us, because of the locality argument or for any other reason, to take a less good man if anywhere we could find a better.

I have exercised my most careful judgment, and am thoroughly convinced that the best man in the United States for upbuilding the Boston school system is Stratton D. Brooks. In my opinion, if the citizens of Boston will give him their confidence and support, he will, in the course of a few years, with the able assistance of the supervisors and other officers of our school system, advance our school system to a degree of efficiency and effectiveness which will cause those charged with teaching or school administration to come from all over the country to Boston, to study our system and methods—which certainly is not the case to-day.

Mr. Brooks is in his thirty-seventh year, and though the years of his manhood have not been many, he has pursued the study of his profession with a determination and thoroughness entirely unequaled by any other candidate whose name has come up for consideration; and, in fact, so far as I am aware, there is no man of his years in the United States with an equal record.

Though endowed with great natural ability, he has not been tempted to rely simply on this, but during every year of his career has striven, by constant study and training, to still further improve his professional efficiency. A glance at the list of courses which he has taken to train himself for the work of school administration reveals the intensity with which he has toiled to increase his efficiency.

From 1887 to 1889, he took a two years' course at the Michigan State Normal College.

In 1889-1892, a three year post graduate course at the Michigan State Normal College, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Pedagogy.

In 1896, graduated from the University of Michigan, receiving the degree of Bachelor of Arts.

In 1889, received the degree of Master of Pedagogy from the Michigan State Normal College.

In 1894, he received the advanced degree of Master of Arts from Harvard University, for studies in the field of pedagogy.

During all the period that Mr. Brooks has been thus studying theoretically the whole field of education, he has been further strengthening his equipment for his life work by teaching or managing schools.

He began with the kindergarten, at the bottom of the ladder, and has passed up through the grammar schools, thence to the high school and beyond, to the university, where he became the head of the Department of Pedagogy. There is no class or grade of public schools which he has not studied theoretically, and in which he has not had practical, day after day, experience. Besides his early work in grammar and high schools, for three years, he had under his supervision preparatory schools, in the state of Illinois. For three years, he was professor of education in the University of Illinois, and for nearly four years he was supervisor of schools in Boston. By the marked ability with which he has filled all these positions, he has won swift promotion, and has gained the respect of all who have come in contact with him.

The School Board of Cleveland, which has the reputation of being one of the best and most progressive in the country, undertook recently the task of selecting a superintendent for that city; Mr. Brooks was, I believe, an entire stranger to them. They made a most careful search for the very best man obtainable, extending over some months and covering the entire country. I know the members of that board made repeated visits to Boston, investigated carefully Mr. Brooks' standing among his associates and subordinates in the Boston school system and carefully looked into his professional record here and elsewhere. The result of their survey of the whole field was that they unanimously reached the conclusion that Stratton D. Brooks was the best man in the country to make superintendent of schools in Cleveland.

It seems to me that the keynote of Mr. Brooks' professional career may be said to be a just appreciation of the value of the best and most extended professional training combined with practical training at every point in the entire field of education. He is a man who cannot be said to have anything less than a genius for hard work. He is a Democrat in his political beliefs and thoroughly approachable and democratic in his manners. No man has ever come into contact with Mr. Brooks who does not realize that he has courage and high character. If I did not feel able to guarantee that he is absolutely free from bias, I should not vote for him. He has the breadth of view which can only come to a man who has pursued his professional studies in both eastern and western universities, and who has gained his practical experience in widely separated parts of the country.

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The Chairman instructed the Secretary to call the roll, and the members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Stratton D. Brooks—Messrs. Brock, Ellis and Storrow—3.

For Jeremiah E. Burke—Messrs. Thomas J. Kenny and William S. Kenny—2.

The Chair declared Stratton D. Brooks elected as Superintendent of Schools.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that the election be declared unanimous, stating that he made this motion on behalf of Mr. Burke and at Mr. Burke's suggestion.

Mr. Kenny's motion passed.

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COMPLETION OF FRANCIS PARKMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A petition was received from E. J. Helms and twenty-three others, urging the necessity of completing the Francis Parkman School-house at Forest Hills, and employing therein a principal and first assistant.

Laid on the table.

RECESS.

The Board took a recess at 6:50 o'clock P.M.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:21 o'clock P.M.

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INTRODUCTION OF IRISH HISTORY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The Board proceeded to grant a hearing to representatives of various Irish societies who desired that the history of Ireland should stand on the same footing in the public schools as the history of England. The various speakers, who were introduced by President Martin J. O'Brien of the General Council of the Irish County Clubs, were Matthew Cummings, State President of the A. O. H.; Jeremiah Carroll, Vice President of the Irish County Clubs; Joseph F. O'Connell, Capt. John H. Dillon, President of Suffolk County Board of the A. O. H.; Dr. P. J. Timmins; P. J. O'Daly, founder of the Gaelic schools in America; Martin J. Mulroy, of the Boston Gaelic School, Incorporated.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the question of introducing the study of Irish history into the public schools be referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and recommendation.

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ANNUAL APPROPRIATION.

Mr. William S. Kenny offered the following:—

ORDERED, That to meet the current expenses of the School Committee and provide funds for the Schoolhouse Department during the financial year beginning Feb. 1, 1906, and ending Jan. 31, 1907, the following sums be appropriated for the purposes stated:—

Salaries of Instructors	$2,742,000.00
Salaries of Officers	87,700.00
Salaries of Janitors	231,000.00
Fuel and Light	167,000.00
Supplies and Incidentals	189,100.00
Repairs and alterations of school buildings	307,400.00
Rents of hired school accommodations	20,000.00
Total amount appropriated	$3,744,200.00

The order passed by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny, Storrow—5.

Nays—0.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board reconsidered the vote whereby the foregoing order was declared passed, and the order was laid on the table.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

TRANSFER OF PUPIL IN QUINCY SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That Frederick Knight, a pupil in the Quincy School, be transferred to the Brimmer School, and that the Acting Superintendent be requested to carry the terms of this order into effect.

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SERVICE OF TRUANT OFFICER, DORCHESTER SCHOOL DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 12, 1906, reporting the result of his investigation of the work of the truant officer assigned to the Mather, Edward Everett and William E. Russell Districts, in consequence of a communication received from Richard C. Humphreys, representing the Dorchester Branch of the Associated Charities, and referred to him Feb. 26.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to send a copy of the report to Mr. Humphreys.

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SCHOOLHOUSE CUSTODIAN.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Secretary was instructed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of eligible candidates for the position of Schoolhouse Custodian.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Civil Service Commission be notified that Edward C. Baldwin was separated from the position of Schoolhouse Custodian without fault or delinquency on his part.

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USE OF GYMNASIUM, SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL.

An application was received from Rev. W. H. Grant, under date of Mar. 10, 1906, on behalf of the St. Vincent's Holy Name Club, for permission to occupy the gymnasium of the South Boston High Schoolhouse, on Monday evening, Mar. 19, 1906, for a game of basket ball.

Referred to Mr. Thomas J. Kenny with full powers.

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REQUESTS FOR HEARINGS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That all requests for hearings before this Board on any subject be referred to the full Board for decision.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 11:25 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

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Present: All the members.

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ADOPTION OF SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

The following order, laid over at the last meeting, was read:—

ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books, the same to be without expense to the city:—

A Primer of the Civil Service and the Merit System, published by The Women's Auxiliary to the New York Civil Service Reform Association and The Women's Auxiliary of the Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Association—for grammar schools.

The Civil Service; The Merit System; The Spoil's System, by Edward Cary, published for the Women's Auxiliary of the Massachusetts Civil Service Reform Association—for high schools.

Passed unanimously.

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ADOPTION OF TEXT-BOOK.

The following order, laid over at the last meeting, was read:—

ORDERED, That Harmony: Its Theory and Practice, by Ebenezer Prout, published by Augener & Co. (London), be authorized for use as a text-book in the high schools.

Passed unanimously.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Acting Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Lewis District—Helen M. Donohue, Boston, Grammar School, from Mar. 21, to Mar. 30, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Washington District—Mary E. Harvell, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 1, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—Alice S. Bryant, Boston, assistant instructor, from Mar. 19. 1906.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Alvin P. Wagg, Boston, sub-master, from Mar. 5, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Thomas E. Kelley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 13, 1906.

Washington District—Julia E. Donovan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 13, 1906.

Approved.

CONFIRMATIONS.

Eliot District—Katherine G. O'Donnell, assistant, Primary School.

Emerson District—Sarah B. McGlinn, Sarah E. McNeill, assistants, Primary School.

Jefferson District—Edith E. Cox, assistant, Primary School.

Lawrence District—Lucy E. Killea, assistant, Grammar School.

Martin District—Alice F. Connell, assistant, Grammar School.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board.

Girls' Latin School—Jessie Girdwood, assistant, from Mar. 31, until July 1, 1906; Nellie I. Simpson, Boston, substitute.

Roxbury High School—Maud G. Leadbetter, assistant, from Feb. 26, until May 1, 1906; Mabel E. Woodworth, Boston, substitute.

Mather District—Ada Cushing, assistant, Kindergarten, from Feb. 26, until Mar. 30, 1906; Elizabeth L. Holton, Boston, substitute.

Horace Mann School—Sarah A. J. Monro, assistant, from Mar. 5, until Mar. 31, 1906; Alice M. Porter, Boston, substitute.

On the report of the Acting Superintendent, leave of absence was granted the following-named teacher, without pay, for the term specified:

Sherwin District—Amy W. Shaw, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 16 until June 1, 1906.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Acting Superintendent submitted the names of forty-eight minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of six to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Acting Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of a minor to sell newspapers, he having violated the conditions under which said license was granted.

Approved.

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ASSIGNMENT OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, suggesting a rearrangement of districts assigned to certain truant officers.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of the same member, the communication was taken from the table, placed on file, and the Acting Superintendent authorized to make such assignments and reassignments of truant officers as from time to time he may deem expedient.

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PIANO FOR KINDERGARTEN, TILESTON SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, relative to the application of the Master of the Roger Wolcott School for a piano for the kindergarten recently removed to the Tileston School-house, referred to him Mar. 2, recommending that the request be granted.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized to furnish a piano for the kindergarten recently removed to the Tileston School-house.

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LICENSED MINORS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar.

16, 1906, relative to the suggestions made by the Board of Police with reference to minors' licenses, referred Jan. 22, stating that the same are being acted upon so far as it is possible for his office to do so.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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OLD WINTHROP-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Mar. 5, requesting him to report whether or not there is any probability of the old Winthrop-street School-house again being occupied for school purposes, stating that in view of various considerations he is of the opinion that it would be unwise to surrender this property at the present time.

Placed on file.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO FLORENCE M. HOMER.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, transmitting a request from Florence M. Homer, assistant, Grammar School, Washington Allston District, for leave of absence for one week in order that she may make special preparation for the supervisors' examinations to be held in April.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, leave as aforesaid, without pay, was granted.

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NUMBER OF BOOKS IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Feb. 19, calling his attention to the average number of books per pupil in the various high schools, and requesting him to report if there are not some such schools wherein the number of books per pupil can be safely reduced.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to give further consideration to the number of books per pupil in the various high schools with a view to some definite recommendation looking to a reduction in the number of books allotted to such schools; and, further, whether this Board should not adopt some regulation on the subject.

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COST PER PUPIL FOR SALARIES IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Feb. 19, calling his attention to the cost per pupil for salaries paid instructors in the various high schools, and requesting him to report if there is not some feasible way by which such cost can be reduced in the schools where the higher rate obtains.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to formulate and report such amendment to section 149 of the regulations, establishing the number of pupils to an instructor in high schools, as may be deemed expedient.

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MATERIAL FOR COLOR INSTRUCTION, PRIMARY AND GRAMMAR GRADES.

The Board further considered the application of the Director of Drawing, presented at the meeting of Mar. 5, for material for color instruction in the primary and grammar grades, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That an expenditure not exceeding six hundred and fifty dollars ($650) be allowed for the purchase of colored crayons for color instruction in grades one to six, inclusive, during the remainder of the current financial year.

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THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Mar. 16, 1906, in response to the order passed Feb. 23, requesting said Board to report whether the number of instructors in the Normal School cannot safely be reduced without detriment to the school and its work, containing a comparative statement relating to other similar institutions, and stating that in the opinion of said Board such reduction cannot safely be made without detriment to the school and its work.

Placed on file.

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ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, with reference to the proposed removal of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School from its present location to the old Dearborn School-house, referred at the meeting of Mar. 12, stating that it hesitates to recommend any change in location that might hazard the school's efficiency and prosperity, but if its removal from its present location be found unavoidable, it considers the old Dearborn School-house as the most available building for such occupancy.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table, and the Secretary directed to notify the Director of Drawing to attend the next meeting of the Board for further consideration of the matter.

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DISCIPLINARY ROOMS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, with reference to a communication received from Charles F. King, Master of the Dearborn School, suggesting the establishment of disciplinary rooms for troublesome and backward boys, referred Feb. 19, stating that in the opinion of said Board it is inadvisable to estabilsh such rooms.

Placed on file.

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THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Feb. 23, requesting it to consider and report on the advisability of restricting the number of pupils in the entering classes in the Normal School, stating that in its opinion it would be unwise to fix definitely the number of such pupils, but that it is confident that the number of entering pupils can be limited by raising the standard of scholarship at the examination to be held in June, 1906, and suggesting also the omission of the usual September examinations, and that section 281 of the regulations be amended accordingly.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr Ellis, it was

ORDERED That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 281. Strike out the section, and insert in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 281. Candidates for admission must be at least eighteen years of age, unless an exception is made by the Board of Supervisors upon good cause shown, and have good health and a good moral character. They must have completed a four years' course of study in a Boston

High School, or an equivalent course of study with diploma. As an additional prerequisite for admission, candidates will be required to pass an examination to be held by the Board of Supervisors on the second Saturday and preceding Friday of June in each year. Women graduates of a university, college, or State Normal School, approved by the Board of Supervisors, and men graduates of a college or university so approved, may be admitted to the senior class without examination. Pupils shall be admitted to this school for the regular and special courses only at the beginning of a school year. All pupils shall be put on probation, and as soon as, in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors, they prove unsuitable for this school, shall be discharged.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO MARGARET KELLY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, reporting that by reason of the opening of the William E. Endicott School-house, which was occupied for the first time on Mar. 14, the Glenway and Glenway Annex School buildings were vacated, and the janitor of these buildings, Margaret Kelly, is without employment, and suggesting that her name be carried on the list of janitors with a view to her reappointment to another building should opportunity occur.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That leave of absence, without pay, be granted Margaret Kelly, janitor of the Glenway and Glenway Annex School-houses, for a period of six months from Mar. 14, 1906.

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TREATMENT OF SCHOOL ROOM FLOOR, HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, reporting that in accordance with instructions of the Board on Mar. 16, he had treated the floor of one room in the Horace Mann School-house with a dust laying compound with very satisfactory results and to the approval of the principal.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be authorized to apply a similar treatment to all the floors in that building, and that the attention of the Schoolhouse Commissioners be called to the experiment, with the request that they investigate and report to this Board their opinion as to the value of such treatment of school room floors.

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CERTIFICATION OF AREAS, WILLIAM E. ENDICOTT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar 14, 1906, submitting the certified areas of the William E. Endicott School-house, according to which the compensation of the janitor is to be determined.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Chairman was authorized to approve said certification to take effect Mar. 14, 1906.

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USE OF SOFT COAL IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, enclosing a report of their engineers, Hollis French & Allen Hubbard, with regard to the use of soft coal in school buildings; also a communication from Walter H. Bickford, janitor of the Winship School-house, under date of Mar. 17, objecting to the use of such coal in the Winship School-house; also a communication from Henry L. Sawyer, Master of the Bennett School, requesting that full consideration be given to the objections of Mr. Bickford.

Severally referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and report.

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LYMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE, ASSISTANT TO SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 15, 1906, reporting the appointment of John H. Bickford, as assistant to the substitute janitor, temporarily in charge of the Lyman School-house, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Mar. 14, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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BILL OF WALTER I. SPRAGUE.

A bill was received from Walter I. Sprague, janitor, Harvard School-house, in the sum of five dollars ($5), for extra service rendered by him in consequence of the occupancy of the hall of that building for the graduating exercises of the Charlestown Evening High School on Mar. 9, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

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JANITORSHIP OF LYMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 17, 1906, enclosing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Lyman School-house, East Boston.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board approved the transfer to said position of Michael B. Sliney, janitor of the Medford-street and Polk-street School-houses, the transfer to take effect Mar. 15, 1906.

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RECESS.

The Board took a recess at 7:07 o'clock P. M.

The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:26 o'clock P. M.

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PLAYGROUNDS CONDUCTED BY THE MASS. EMERGENCY AND HYGIENE ASSOCIATION.

A communication was received from James J. Minot, M. D., on behalf of the Mass. Emergency and Hygiene Association, requesting the use for playground purposes during the summer of 1906 of the same school yards that were occupied for similar purposes during the summer of 1905.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the application was approved.

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SURRENDER OF WEBB SCHOOL ESTATE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That whereas the Webb School estate on Porter street, East Boston, has been heretofore disused as unfit for school purposes, and only reoccupied because circumstances made it temporarily necessary; and, whereas, the same is not required and is not suitable for school purposes; now, therefore, the same is hereby surrendered to the City Council, in order that it may be placed in charge of the Trustees of the Boston City Hospital.

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BEQUESTS OF CHARLES E. FRENCH.

A communication was received from Robert Homans, representing the executors under the will of Charles E. French, under date of Mar. 14, 1906, with reference to

certain bequests contained in said will for the purpose of providing medals for deserving pupils of the Boston schools, and requesting information as to the attitude of the School Committee with regard to these bequests.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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FIRE ESCAPE, BRIMMER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from James A. Treanor, Acting Master of the Brimmer School, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, referring to the defective means of escape from the Brimmer School in case of fire, and requesting that new fire escapes be placed upon the building, and a guard erected along the edge of the roof of the building to which one fire escape now leads.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, with the request that it report its action in the matter.

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GRAMMAR SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, FOREST HILLS.

A communication was received from Elisha W. Morse, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, with reference to the desirability of providing additional grammar school accommodations at Forest Hills, in the Francis Parkman School-house.

Laid on the table.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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USE OF ACCOMMODATIONS, LYMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Augustus H. Kelley, Master of the Lyman School, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, with reference to his application received at the meeting of Feb. 19, for the use of the upper floor in said building on Mar. 28, 29 and 30, 1906.

Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO WALTER S. PARKER.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Walter S. Parker, in addition to his regular compensation, a sum equal to the difference between his salary as Supervisor and the established salary of the Superintendent, during the period that he has discharged the duties of the latter position.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:51 o'clock P. M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

In School Committee, March 22, 1906.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members, excepting Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

ACCEPTANCE OF SUPERINTENDENCY BY MR. BROOKS.

The following communication was received:

Boston Public Schools,
Superintendent's Office, Mason street.
March 21, 1906.

Mr. Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary, Boston School Committee.

Dear Sir: I hereby accept the position of Superintendent of the Public Schools of the city of Boston, said acceptance to take effect March 21, 1906. Yours very truly,

Stratton D. Brooks,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP OF LYMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 22, 1906, recommending that the transfer of Michael B. Sliney, janitor of the Medford-street and Polk-street School-houses, to the janitorship of the Lyman School-house, take effect Apr. 1, 1906, instead of on Mar. 15, 1906, as acted upon at the last meeting of the Board.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

ADMISSION OF CHILDREN TO PLACES OF AMUSEMENT.

The Chair presented a proposed communication, addressed to the Chairman of the Board of Police Commissioners, with regard to the enforcement of the law recently passed by the Legislature, to prevent the admission of children under the age of thirteen years to places of amusement after sunset.

Approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the doors were opened.

USE OF GYMNASIUM, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Charles J. Lincoln, Head-Master of the Dorchester High School, under date of Mar. 19, 1906, with reference to the use of the gymnasium of the Dorchester High School-house on the evening of Mar. 16, 1906.

Placed on file.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 6:24 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

March 26, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 5 o'clock P. M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the preceding meetings was omitted, the Board approving said records from Jan. 1 to date as printed.

ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication from the Board of Supervisors, received at the meeting of Mar. 19, with reference to the proposed removal of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School from its present location to the Old Dearborn School-house, was taken from the table, and in pursuance of the action taken at the same meeting, the Director of Drawing appeared, was heard on the subject, and was requested to confer further with the Superintendent with regard to the advisability of removing said school to the Winthrop-street School-house, recently vacated, and also with reference to the removal of the Columbus-avenue Evening Drawing School to the Mechanic Arts High School-house.

Pending a further report on the subject, on motion of Mr. Ellis, the aforesaid communication was again laid on the table.

RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:

Lewis District—Marguerite G. Brett, assistant, Primary School, Jan. 15, 1906.

Accepted.

The following appointments by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Franklin District—Rena Lewis, Boston, Primary School, from Mar. 8, 1906.

Lyman District—Agnes M. Mahoney, Boston, Primary School, from Mar. 26, 1906.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Sherwin District—Agnes M. Mahoney, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 16, 1906.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Franklin District—Emma Foster, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 13, 1906.

Frothingham District—Bertha F. Dodge, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Washington District—James A. Crowley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 23, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—Pearl C. Blair, Boston, Ella L. Bresnehen, Boston, Arthur G. Hamilton, Boston, assistant instructors, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

Adams District—Annice A. Anderson, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr 9, 1906.

Phillips District—Rose E. Lyons, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, second year, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Bowditch District—Anna E. Marble, principal, Kindergarten, from Feb. 23, until Mar. 30, 1906; Edna F. Hawes, Winchester, substitute.

Bowdoin District—Catherine M. Dolan, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 5, until Mar. 30, 1906; Margaret M. Downing, Boston, substitute.

Franklin District—Ruth C. Higbee, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 9, until June 22, 1906; Elvira L. Austin, Boston, substitute.

Lyman District—Herbert F. Sylvester, assistant, Grammar School, from Feb. 19, until May 1, 1906; Linwood Taft, Boston, substitute.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of two minors to be licensed to black boots, and of one to be licensed as a pedlar.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

EXPENDITURE FOR ASSISTANCE, TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Mar. 16, requesting that an expenditure of a sum not exceeding two hundred fifty dollars ($250) be allowed in payment for such assistance as said Board may need at the examination to be held by them on Apr. 27 and 28, 1906.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not exceeding two hundred fifty dollars ($250) be authorized in payment for such assistance as the Board of Supervisors may need at the examination to be held by said Board on Apr. 27 and 28, 1906.

PORTABLE BUILDING IN YARD OF CANTERBURY-STREET SCHOOL.

The following communication was received:

Boston Public Schools,
Superintendent's Office, Mason Street,
March 26, 1906.

To the School Committee:

I respectfully recommend that the School Committee postpone carrying into effect the order of the School Board passed October 24, 1905, as follows:

ORDERED, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Charles Sumner District from and after April 9, 1906; and the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners is hereby requested to place and fit up a portable building in the yard of the Can-

terbury Street School for the accommodation of such kindergarten from the date herein specified.

I further recommend that the Schoolhouse Commissioners be informed that no portable building will be needed in the yard of the Canterbury Street School in the immediate future.

Stratton D. Brooks,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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SELECTION OF CLASS PHOTOGRAPHERS, HIGH SCHOOLS, ETC.

The following communication was received:

Boston Public Schools,
Superintendent's Office, Mason Street,
March 26, 1906.

To the School Committee:

I herewith respectfully submit, as a supplementary report on the selection of class photographers, the purchase of class pins, and the conduct of athletic meets and officers' parties for high schools, four votes passed by the Association of Head Masters, at its meeting held on March 20, 1906.

Stratton D. Brooks,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

Appended to the foregoing communication was the following:

Head Masters' Association,
March 20, 1906.

1. Voted, That the Head Masters of the Boston High Schools regard it their duty to supervise carefully all school enterprises. While aiming always to encourage pupils to exercise self reliance, and to form independent judgments concerning the activities of student life, the Head Masters deem it best that final action involving the expenditure of money should in no case be taken without their approval.
2. Voted, That the Head Masters will endeavor to make all the influences of their schools tend to the development of such a public sentiment in the student body that all service to classes or organizations will be regarded as a public duty.
3. Voted, That all committees chosen to transact any business for a class or school organization shall be subject to the approval of the Head Master.
4. Voted, That no Head Master will approve a contract which does not contain clauses that prohibit the dealer from offering or giving, and the representatives of school or class organizations from asking or receiving special considerations of any kind whatsoever.

Placed on file.

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ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR MANUAL TRAINING SUPPLIES.

The Auditing Clerk submitted various bids for furnishing manual training supplies, in accordance with specifications dated Mar. 9, 1906.

Placed on file

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the bid of A. J. Wilkinson & Co., dated Mar. 20, 1906, for furnishing manual training supplies in accordance with specifications dated Mar. 9, 1906, in the sum of one hundred twenty-eight and 66-100 dollars ($128.66), be and hereby is accepted, said firm being the lowest bidder.

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ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR PAPER.

The Auditing Clerk submitted various bids for furnishing paper for arithmetic work put up in one-lb. pads for use in the various schools.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the bid of J. L. Hammett Company, dated Mar. 20, 1906, for furnishing and delivering to the various schools 72,000 lbs. of paper, unruled, in one-lb. blocks; and 28,000 lbs. of paper, ruled, in one-lb. blocks, in the sum of two thousand six hundred forty dollars ($2,640), be and hereby is accepted, said company being the lowest bidder.

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ACCEPTANCE OF BID FOR LUMBER FOR WOODWORKING CLASSES.

The Auditing Clerk submitted various bids for furnishing lumber for use by manual training classes during the current year, in accordance with specifications dated Mar. 8, 1906.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the bid of Blacker & Shepard Co., under date of Mar. 15, 1906, for furnishing and delivering to the various schools the lumber needed for woodworking classes during the current year in the sum of seven thousand nine hundred fifty-six dollars ($7,956), be and hereby is accepted, said company being the lowest bidder.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That Mr. William S. Kenny be and hereby is authorized to approve on behalf of this Board a special draft and pay rolls to be prepared by the Auditing Clerk, covering the payment to officers and teachers of the amounts withheld on the December 1905 pay roll; and that he also be authorized to approve on behalf of this Board the pay rolls and bills for the month of April, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk.

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SALARY OF FRANK HASEY.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That Frank Hasey, truant officer, be allowed and paid his regular salary for the month of March, 1906, notwithstanding his illness during a part of said month.

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EXHIBITION OF SCHOOL MATERIAL SENT TO ST. LOUIS AND PORTLAND.

A communication was received from the Superintendent under date of Mar. 26, 1906, stating that the material from the public schools' exhibit at the Expositions held at St. Louis, Mo., and Portland, Ore., is now installed in the Bowdoin School on Myrtle street, and recommending that the opening of the building for the purpose of allowing inspection of such material on certain dates be authorized.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Bowdoin School be opened to teachers and the public during the remainder of this week and during the week beginning Apr. 9, 1906; on the following Saturdays: Mar. 31, Apr. 7, and Apr. 14; and on the evenings of Mar. 29, Apr. 11, and Apr. 12, that the School Committee Exhibit of the city of Boston from the St. Louis, Mo., and Portland, Ore., Expositions may be inspected.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Mar. 26, 1906, reporting that the school exhibit which has been returned from St. Louis, Mo., and Portland, Ore., contains a considerable amount of material which needs to be disposed of, and asking for authority to dis-

pose of the same in any way which may be deemed best for the educational interests of the city or community.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That the Superintendent of Schools is hereby authorized to dispose of material returned from the St. Louis, Mo., and Portland, Ore., Expositions, as he may deem best for the educational interests of the city or community.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 24, 1906, reporting the services performed by the regular substitute janitors from Mar. 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive.
Placed on file.

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USE OF SOFT COAL IN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 26, 1906, on the communications from the janitor of the Winship School-house and the master of the district, with reference to the use of soft coal in that building, referred to him Mar. 19, stating his reasons for believing the use of such fuel in that building desirable, and containing a comparative statement of the consumption of hard and soft coal in various other schoolhouses.
On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

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A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 26, 1906, with reference to the communication received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, containing a list of schoolhouses and suggestions as to the kind of fuel to be used in each, referred to him at the meeting of Mar. 19, stating that in general the report of said Commission corroborates the opinion on the subject held by the Schoolhouse Custodian.
Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP OF LYMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 26, 1906, enclosing a request from Michael B. Sliney, who was transferred from the janitorship of the Medford-street and Polk-street School-houses to a similar position in the Lyman School-house at the meeting of Mar. 19, that he be permitted to remain in his old position for reasons stated.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board reconsidered its former action transferring said janitor.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, the question of filling the vacancy thus created in the janitorship of the Lyman School-house was laid on the table.

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BILL OF P. W. TIGHE.

A bill was received from P. W. Tighe, janitor, English High School-house, in the sum of thirteen and 50-100 dollars ($13.50), for extra services rendered in connection with nine lectures recently given by the Director of Drawing in that building.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, the bill was disallowed.

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PAYMENT TO JAMES J. DONNELLY.

A bill was received from James J. Donnelly for services rendered in heating the rooms occupied by the East Boston Evening Drawing School during the term 1905-1906, in the sum of twenty-four dollars ($24), being in accordance with an arrangement made by the former Committee on School Houses.
On motion, it was
ORDERED, That there be paid to James J. Donnelly the sum of twenty-four dollars ($24) for services rendered in heating the rooms occupied by the East Boston Evening Drawing School from Nov. 20, 1905, to Mar. 21, 1906.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.
On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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TREATMENT OF FLOORS, WASHINGTON ALLSTON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from William C. Crawford, Master of the Washington Allston District, under date of Mar. 24, 1906, requesting permission to be allowed to make tests of the value of a dust laying compound in various rooms of his grammar building.
Referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and report.

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BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL, CERTIFICATES TO PUPILS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be authorized to grant certificates to those pupils in the Bigelow Evening School who have satisfactorily completed the course in salesmanship conducted in that school during the past term.

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RECESS.

The Board took a recess at 7:27 o'clock P.M.
The members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and were called to order by the Chairman at 8:42 o'clock P.M.

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HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

Mr. Brock offered the following:—
ORDERED, That a new school to be known as the High School of Commerce is hereby established by this Board from and after the beginning of the next school year.
Passed unanimously.

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Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:—
ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby requested to report in what school building the new High School of Commerce can best be accommodated.
Passed unanimously.

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Mr. William S. Kenny offered the following:—
ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby requested to give immediate consideration to the appointment of a principal of the new High School of Commerce, and such other instructors as may be necessary to complete its organization at the beginning of the next school year.
Passed unanimously.

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Mr. Ellis offered the following:—
ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby requested to prepare and submit to this Board a plan and a course of study for the new High School of Commerce.
Passed unanimously.

MEETINGS OF BOARD.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter the regular weekly meetings of this Board be held on Mondays at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:20 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

April 2, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the preceding meeting was omitted, the Board approving said records as printed.

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TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS, COMINS DISTRICT.

Mr. John A. Brett appeared, and urged the retention of premises No. 1448 Columbus avenue, now occupied for school purposes in the Comins District.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners is hereby requested to continue temporary accommodations within the Comins District for the kindergarten and primary children already temporarily accommodated in that district.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

South Boston High School—Frank V. Thompson, junior-master, Apr. 9, 1906.

Jefferson District—Mary J. Fitzsimmons, assistant, Grammar School, Apr. 9, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Blackinton District—Adaline A. Gardner, Boston, Grammar School, from Mar. 26, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Adams District—Caroline G. Chard, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Placed on file.

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ON PROBATION.

South Boston High School—Arthur F. Campbell, Quincy, junior-master, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Chapman District—Grace E. Fogg, Boston, assistant, Primary School, second year, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Approved.

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APPOINTMENT OF A PRINCIPAL.

High School of Commerce—Frank V. Thompson, Boston, head-master, from Apr. 9, 1906.

The Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll, and the appointment was approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

Nays—0.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Dwight District—Blanche A. Russell, assistant, Grammar School; Mary Kelly, assistant, Primary School.

Everett District—Ethel M. Rowland, assistant, Primary School.

Harvard District—Eliza A. Maguire, principal, Kindergarten.

Hyde District—Anna F. Cotter, assistant, Grammar School.

Rice District—Margaret C. Seaver, assistant, Kindergarten.

Manual Training Schools—Joseph F. Carter, assistant instructor.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, and the substitute named was approved by the Board:—

Hancock District—Josephine A. Coulahan, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 20 until June 1, 1906; Linda C. O'Dowd, Boston, substitute.

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On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher, without pay, for the term specified.

Blackinton District—Eliza D. Graham, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 1 until June 23, 1906.

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A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 2, 1906, recommending that James C. Clark, an instructor of manual training, be granted leave of absence without pay from May 21 until June 29, 1906.

Leave of absence was granted, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the question of compensation for Mr. Clark during said leave was laid on the table.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of one to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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DATES FOR GRADUATING EXERCISES, HIGH AND LATIN SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 2, 1906, recommending certain dates for the graduating exercises of the high and Latin schools this year.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the graduating exercises of the high and Latin Schools be fixed for June 21, June 22, and June 23, 1906.

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MILITARY DRILL, CHARLESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 2, 1906, recommending that the request of the Head-Master of the Charlestown High School that pupils taking military drill in that school be required to attend instruction in its drill hall from two o'clock until half-past two o'clock P.M. every Tuesday on which the school is in session, be granted.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 2, 1906, recommending that the High School of Commerce be placed temporarily in the Winthrop-street School-house, Roxbury, and that the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to fit up that building for the use of said school.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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NUMBER OF BOOKS IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Mar. 30, 1906, stating that said Board has given further consideration to the number of books per pupil in various high schools, with a view to some definite recommendation looking to a reduction in the number of books allotted to such schools, and the adoption of some regulation on the subject, in accordance with the order passed by the Board at its meeting of Mar. 19, and is of the opinion that the number of books per pupil in such schools cannot be determined by rule, but that when there is any doubt about the economical use thereof the matter should be referred to the Superintendent for investigation and adjustment.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of the Superintendent be called to the wide variation in the number of books per pupil in the different high schools, and that he be requested to investigate and make such adjustment in connection with this matter as he deems proper.

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HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS.

The following communication was received:—

School Committee Rooms, Mason Street,
Office of the Board of Supervisors,
Boston, March 30, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

The Board of Supervisors is of the opinion that it would be of great advantage to the high schools to award diplomas only to those pupils who have completed the full course of four years in the Mechanic Arts High School and to those pupils who have won seventy-six points, which usually requires four years, in the other high schools. The regulations already provide (Sect. 271) that pupils who have satisfactorily completed a part of the authorized course of study may receive certificates of proficiency in the various subjects of the course, and these certificates may with advantage be substituted for the diplomas now granted on the completion of the present three years' course.

The Board of Supervisors therefore submits the following recommendations:—

(1) That the course of study for the Mechanic Arts High School be amended by striking out lines nine and ten on page 4, and substituting in place thereof the following: Diplomas are awarded at the end of the course of four years.

(2) That the course of study for high schools be amended by striking out paragraph (5) on page 7, and inserting in place thereof the following: A diploma is awarded to pupils who have won seventy-six points, which usually requires four years' attendance.

(3) That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 266. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 266. The course of study for the high schools shall be for four years, and shall be arranged by the Superintendent and approved by the Board.

Sect. 272. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:

Sect. 272. Diplomas shall be awarded to pupils satisfactorily completing the course of study, provided, that those pupils who have entered these schools prior to September, 1906, may, if they choose, be awarded a first diploma when they have completed a three-year course or its equivalent.

Respectfully submitted,
Stratton D. Brooks,
Chairman, Board of Supervisors.

On motion of Mr. Wiliam S. Kenny, laid on the table.

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TREATMENT OF SCHOOL ROOM FLOORS.

A communication was received from the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Mar. 26, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at its meeting of Mar. 19, stating that its inspector has seen the dust layer used in the Horace Mann School, that it does not favor any patent materials, but believes that linseed oil is the best material for hard pine floors; also recommending that janitors be not allowed to use dust laying oils upon new floors, but be required to confine their experiments to old floors.

Placed on file.

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TREATMENT OF FLOORS, WASHINGTON ALLSTON SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under date of Apr. 2, 1906, with reference to the application of the Master of the Washington Allston District for permission to make tests of the value of a dust laying compound in various rooms of his building, referred at the meeting of Mar. 26, and requesting authority to experiment with a cheaper oil upon the floors of this building, believing that good results can thereby be obtained.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the Schoolhouse Custodian was authorized to make the desired experiment with the consent of the Master of the District.

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LYMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE, ASSISTANT TO SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 27, 1906, reporting the reappointment of John H. Bickford as assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house for a period of ten days or less, to date from Mar. 24, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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PAYMENT TO JOHN H. BICKFORD.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 29, 1906, recommending that John H. Bickford, assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house, having rendered services as such from Mar. 14 to 28, 1906, inclusive, be paid the sum of twenty dollars ($20).

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to John H. Bickford the sum of twenty dollars ($20), for services as assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house, from Mar. 14 to 28, 1906, inclusive.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Mar. 27, 1906, reporting the services rendered by the two regular substitute janitors from Mar. 21 to 31, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIPS, LYMAN AND OLD MATHER SCHOOL-HOUSES.

The Board again considered the vacancies existing in the janitorships of the Lyman and Old Mather School-houses, and

Charles J. Hurlbert, assistant janitor of the Girls' High School-house, appeared, and was heard in connection with said vacancies.

Laid over for further consideration.

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ANNUAL APPROPRIATION.

The following communication was received:—

SCHOOLS.

Appropriation, 1906-1907.

To the School Committee:—

The undersigned would state that the Board of Assessors has certified that the average taxable valuation of the City on which the sum allowed the schools is based, amounts to $1,229,429,222. The School Committee can appropriate $3.40 on each thousand dollars of this valuation, which amounts to $4,180,059.35. An additional sum of $55,912.34 (derived from the Estimated Income for 1906-07, $51.012.65,—Excess of Income over Estimates, $4830.04,—and the Balance Unexpended for 1905-06, $69.65) can also be appropriated, making a total of $4,235,-971.69, which is the limit allowed. Of this sum, $491,771.69 can be appropriated only for the purchase of lands and additions to school-yards and the erection and furnishing of new school buildings. By a recent Act of the Legislature, the School Committee is relieved from appropriating the full amount heretofore allowed for Repairs, etc., but may reduce the amount for the year 1906 in the sum of $60,000, which amount may be appropriated for the support of the Public Schools in addition to the amount hereinbefore authorized. The remainder of the proceeds of said twenty-five cents upon each one thousand dollars of the valuation. to be appropriated for Repairs and Alterations of School Buildings.

The appropriation, as recommended, is based upon the following:—

$3 per thousand on $1,229,429,222 equals	$3,688,287.66
Unexpended balance, 1905-06	69.65
Excess of income over the amount estimated, 1905-06	4,830.04
Estimated income for 1906-07	51,012.65
Total	$3,744,200.00

It is estimated that to carry on the schools, as they exist at present, will require $6200 more than the amount allowed by law.

The money available, under the charge of the School Committee, will permit an increase in expenses over the past year, of $139,871.62, which must not only take care of the natural increase but must, in addition, take care of a deficit left the present School Board by its predecessor, amounting to about $54,000.

In accordance with these statements and in compliance with Section 1, Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1901 (or Acts in addition thereto or amendments thereof) the passage of the accompanying order is recommended. Respectfully submitted,

William J. Porter,
Auditing Clerk.

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ESTIMATES OF EXPENDITURES, 1906—1907.

Salaries of Instructors.—Normal School.

1	Head-master	$3,780	
1	Master	3,060	
1	Master	2,916	
1	Master	2,628	
8	Assistants	$1,620	12,960
1	Assistant	1,500	
1	Assistant	1,380	
1	Assistant	1,260	
1	Assistant	1,200	
1	Clerical Assistant	504	
			$31,188

Latin and High Schools.—Masters and Junior Masters.

1	Head-master		$4,200
9	Head-masters	$3,780	34,020
38	Masters	3,060	116,280
3	Junior-masters	2,916	8,748
6	Junior-masters	2,772	16,632
6	Junior-masters	2,628	15,768
1	Junior Master		2,484
3	Junior Masters	2,340	7,020
3	Junior-masters	2,196	6,588
1	Junior-master,		1,908
4	Junior-masters	1,764	7,056
5	Junior-masters	1,620	8,100
5	Junior-masters	1,476	7,380
			236,184

Assistant Principals and Assistants.

3	Assistant Principals	$1,836	$5,508
1	Assistant Principal		1,764
1	Assistant Principal		1,692
61	Assistants	1,620	98,820
5	Assistants	1,548	7,740
3	Assistants	1,476	4,428
3	Assistants	1,404	4,212
9	Assistants	1,332	11,988
7	Assistants	1,260	8,820
10	Assistants	1,188	11,880
5	Assistants	1,116	5,580
4	Assistants	1,044	4,176
4	Assistants	972	3,888
			170,496

Mechanic Arts High School.

1	Head-master		$3,780
4	Masters	$3,060	12,240
1	Junior-master		2,772
2	Junior-masters	2,628	5,256
1	Junior-master		2,484
4	Junior-masters	1,764	7,056
1	Instructor in metal-working		2,580
3	Instructors	2,340	7,020
1	Instructor		1,740
1	Assistant Instructor.		1,620
1	Assistant Instructor.		1,332
1	Assistant Instructor.		1,188
1	Assistant Instructor.		1,116
1	Special Instructor...		888
1	Special Instructor...		744
1	Laboratory Assistant		500
1	Tool-keeper		480
6	Special (Assistants) Instructors		2,504
	Additional compensation for extra work of instructors named above		4,000
			59,300

Grammar and Primary Schools.

Masters and Sub-masters Grammar Schools.

47	Masters	$3,180	$149,460
3	Masters	3,060	9,180
3	Masters	2,940	8,820
5	Masters	2,820	14,100
6	Masters	2,700	16,200
2	Sub-masters	2,460	4,920
39	Sub-masters	2,340	91,260
2	Sub-masters	2,220	4,440
4	Sub-masters	2,100	8,400
4	Sub-masters	1,980	7,920
6	Sub-masters	1,860	11,160
5	Sub-masters	1,740	8,700
8	Sub-masters	1,620	12,960
1	Sub-master		1,500
1	Instructor on half-pay		800
			349,820

Assistants Grammar and Primary Schools

70	First Assistants, Grammar	$1,212	$84,840
13	First Assistants, Grammar	1,164	15,132
4	First Assistants, Grammar	1,116	4,464
6	First Assistants, Grammar	1,068	6,408
14	First Assistants, Grammar	1,020	14,280

2 First Assistants, Grammar	972	1,944	
440 Assistants, Grammar	936	411,840	
58 Assistants, Grammar	888	51,504	
63 Assistants, Grammar	840	52,920	
48 Assistants, Grammar	792	38,016	
50 Assistants, Grammar	744	37,200	
40 Assistants, Grammar	696	27,840	
32 Assistants, Grammar	648	20,736	
29 Assistants, Grammar	600	17,400	
22 Assistants, Grammar	552	12,144	
8 Assistants, Grammar, on half pay	....	1,872	
74 First Assistants, Primary	1,080	79,920	
5 First Assistants, Primary	1,032	5,160	
6 First Assistants, Primary	984	5,904	
346 Assistants, Primary	936	323,856	
34 Assistants, Primary	888	30,192	
44 Assistants, Primary	840	36,960	
51 Assistants, Primary	792	40,392	
50 Assistants, Primary	744	37,200	
38 Assistants, Primary	696	26,448	
28 Assistants, Primary	648	18,144	
21 Assistants, Primary	600	12,600	
19 Assistants, Primary	552	10,488	
5 Assistants, Primary on half pay	....	1,500	
40 Temporary Teachers, 40 days	$3,200		
40 Special Assistants, 60 days	3,600		
	$6,800		
Less amount city will receive from absent teachers	3,000		
		3,800	
Six days' salary Instructors, withheld in December, 1905		42,600	
			1 473,704

Kindergartens.

Director		$2,880	
70 Principals	792	55,440	
16 Principals	744	11,904	
10 Principals	696	6,960	
7 Principals	648	4,536	
29 Assistants	624	18,096	
19 Assistants	576	10,944	
24 Assistants	528	12,672	
15 Assistants	480	7,200	
Special Assistant Service		296	
100 Maids—184 days		9,200	
			140,128

Manual Training Schools.

Woodworking:—			
Principal		$2,508	
11 Instructors	1,200	13,200	
16 Assistant Instructors	996	15,936	
3 Assistant Instructors	948	2,844	
10 Assistant Instructors	900	9,000	
2 Assistant Instructors	852	1,704	
2 Assistant Instructors	804	1,608	
Cookery:—			
13 Assistants	936	12,168	
3 Assistants	888	2,664	
2 Assistants	840	1,680	
2 Assistants	744	1,488	
3 Assistants	696	2,088	
2 Assistants	648	1,296	
3 Assistants	600	1,800	
Sewing:—			
49 Instructors, 526 Divisions		39,785	
			109,769

Horace Mann School for the Deaf.

Principal		$3,180	
1 Assistant		1,440	
11 Assistants	1,284	14,124	
1 Assistant		1,068	
1 Assistant		924	
1 Assistant		852	
Special Assistant Service		300	
			21,888

School on Spectacle Island.

Instructor		400	400

Foreign Languages.

2 Assistants in French and German	$1,800	$3,600	
1 Instructor in German, Girls' Latin School		1,800	
1 Instructor in French South Boston High School		1,200	
1 Instructor in French Roxbury High School		1,200	
			7,800

Music.

Director		$3,000	
1 Assistant Director		2,652	
3 Assistant Directors	2,292	6,876	
3 Assistant Directors	1,140	3,420	
1 Assistant Director		1,044	
			16,992

Drawing.

Director		$3,600	
Assistant Director		2,508	
3 Assistants to Director	$1,500	4,500	
1 Special Teacher, Dorchester High School		1,200	
1 Special Teacher, Manual Training and Mechanical Drawing, Dorchester High School		1,500	
1 Special Teacher, English High School		2,500	
1 Special Teacher, Roxbury High School		1,200	
1 Special Teacher, South Boston High School		1,200	
1 Special Teacher, West Roxbury High School		1,200	
			19,408

Chemistry.

1 Instructor, Girls' High School		$1,620	
1 Laboratory Assistant, Girls' High School		936	
1 Laboratory Assistant, English High School		500	
1 Laboratory Assistant, Roxbury High School		936	
			3,992

Physical Training.

Director		$3,000	
Assistant to Director		2,280	
Assistant to Director		1,800	
Assistants to Director (2)	$750	1,500	
			8,580

Vocal and Physical Training and Reading.

Instructor, Girls' Latin School		$936	
Instructor, Brighton High School		900	
Instructor, Dorchester High School		1,200	
Instructor, Dorchester High School		900	
Instructor, East Boston High School		1,200	
Instructor, Girls' High School		1,200	
Assistant Instructor, Girls' High School		900	
Instructor, Roxbury High School		1,200	
Assistant Instructor, Roxbury High School		900	
Instructor, South Boston High School		1,200	
Instructor, West Roxbury High School		1,200	
			11,736

Military Drill.

Instructor	$2,000	
Armorer	1,050	
		3,050

Commercial Branches.

2 Instructors, Brighton High School	$2,592	
1 Instructor, Charlestown High School	1,260	
1 Special Instructor, Charlestown High School	1,800	
2 Special Instructors, Dorchester High School	3,600	
2 Instructors Dorchester High School	2,136	
1 Instructor, East Boston High School	1,332	
1 Special Instructor, East Boston High School	1,680	
1 Special Instructor, English High School	1,560	
4 Instructors, Girls' High School	4,680	
1 Special Instructor, Roxbury High School	1,200	
1 Instructor, Roxbury High School	1,260	
2 Instructors, South Boston High School	2,400	
1 Special Instructor, West Roxbury High School	1,200	
		26,700

Special Classes.

6 Instructors $1,032	$6,192	
1 Instructor	984	
		7,176
Vacation Schools		7,000

Household Science and Arts.

1 Instructor, Normal School.	$1,200	
1 Instructor, Roxbury High School	1,200	
		2,400

Evening High Schools.

1 Head-master, 22 weeks	$1,100	
4 Head-masters, 22 weeks	2,640	
67 Assistants, 22 weeks	29,480	
4 Clerks	1,100	
Mechanic Arts High, evening service	1,100	
Pianists and other assistants	1,000	
		36,420

Evening Elementary Schools.

12 Principals, 22 weeks	$6,600	
1 Principal, 22 weeks	440	
15 First Assistants, 22 weeks.	4,125	
2 Assistants, post-graduate course, 22 weeks	550	
175 Assistants, 22 weeks	38,500	
		50,215

Evening Drawing Schools.

2 Masters, 69 evenings	$1,380	
4 Principals, 69 evenings	2,208	
23 Assistants, 66 evenings	9,108	
1 Assistant, 66 evenings	330	
6 Curators	828	
		13,854
		$2,808,200
Necessary reduction on account of insufficient appropriation		6,200
Total for Instructors		$2,802,000

Salaries of Officers.

Superintendent (9 months)	$4,500	
Six Supervisors $3,780	22,680	
Clerk to Supervisors	660	
Clerks to Superintendent (4).	4,460	
Secretary	3,300	
Clerks to Secretary (3)	2,760	
Auditing Clerk	3,300	
Clerks to Auditing Clerk (3).	2,928	
Assistant in offices, Secretary and Auditing Clerk	840	
Messengers in offices (5)	3,878	
Truant Officers (21)	29,900	
City Treasurer, Custodian	1,500	
Schoolhouse Custodian	2,004	
Clerk to Schoolhouse Custodian	480	
Six days' salary withheld in December, 1905	810	
Clerks in Supply Department (4)	3,700	
Total for Officers		$87,700

Salaries of Janitors—High Schools.

Latin and English High:		Girls' High:	
Public Latin	$1,920	Janitor	2,220
English High	4,200	Janitor	960
Girls' Latin	960	Mechanic Arts High:	
Brighton High.	1,620	Janitor	1,752
Charlestown High	1,288	Engineer	1,524
Dorchester High:		Roxbury High.	2,304
Janitor	3,492	South Boston High:	
Matron	540	Janitor	3,492
East Boston High:		Matron	540
Janitor	2,976	West Roxbury High:	
Matron	$540	Janitor	2,976
		Matron	540
Total for High Schools			$33,844

11 High Schools (as enumerated above)	$33,844	
64 Grammar Schools	86,000	
147 Primary Schools	87,000	
93 Portable buildings	7,500	
36 Special and Evening Schools	9,000	
Mason-Street building	3,348	
2 Substitute Janitors	1,092	
Estimate for additional buildings to be acquired and temporary accommodations that may be needed during the year	3,216	
Total for Janitors		$231,000

Fuel and Light.

24,000 tons of coal at $5.40 (including weighing)	$129,600	
Electric power	3,000	
450 cords of wood at $11 (including splitting and housing)	4,950	
Gas and electric lighting	29,450	
Total under the head of		
Total for Fuel and Light		$167,000

Supplies and Incidentals.

Text-books, reference books, and exchange of books	$51,000	
Books for supplementary reading	6,000	
Globes, maps and charts	2,000	
Music expenses: Instruments, repairs, and covers.	3,600	
Printing, and stock used for same, including reports of School Committee meetings	10,000	
Philosophical, chemical and mathematical apparatus and supplies	9,000	
Rents and repairs	100	
School census	1,700	
Stationery, drawing materials and record books	34,200	
Commercial course in High Schools, typewriting machines, etc	1,500	
Diplomas, blackboard materials, etc	3,600	
Advertising	500	
Military Drill: Arms, repairs and expenses of annual parade	1,500	

Removing ashes from school-houses and snow from yards	2,000	
Flags for schoolhouses.....	500	
Janitors' and other supplies (including disinfectants)....	12,500	
Supplies for Vacation Schools	500	
Supplies for Manual Training	19,500	
Supplies for Kindergartens...	2,800	
Cost of work for delivering supplies, including salary of teamster and assistants, use of two horses, wagon and extra help.....	3,300	
Services of stenographer and other expenses connected with hearings of committees	3,000	
Tuition of Boston pupils in the schools of Brookline, Everett and Winthrop.....	2,800	
Tuition of Boston wards boarding in sundry cities and towns of the State (see Chapter 496, Acts of 1898))...	6,000	
Car and ferry tickets, Horace Mann School (cost refunded by State)	3,500	
Car tickets for Truant Officers, Schoolhouse Custodian, Instructor of Military Drill and pupils in special classes	2,300	
Travelling expenses, officers and instructors	600	
Materials for study of natural history, including stereopticon slides	400	
Carriage hire and refreshments	500	
Miscellaneous, including medical examination of backward children, sewing materials, teaming, extra labor, postage, car and ferry tickets for messengers, badges for licensed minors, extra clerk hire, clay for modelling and sundry items	4,200	
Total for Supplies and Incidentals		$189,100

Schoolhouse Department.

Repairs and alterations of school buildings.....	$247,400	
Rents of hired school accommodations	20,000	
Total for Schoolhouse Department		$267,400

Placed on file.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:

ORDERED, That to meet current expenses of the School Committee and provide funds for repairs and alterations of school buildings and for rents of hired school accommodations during the financial year beginning Feb. 1, 1906, and ending Jan. 31, 1907, the following sums be appropriated for the purposes stated:

Salaries of Instructors.....	$2,802,000.00
Salaries of Officers.....	87,700.00
Salaries of Janitors.....	231,000.00
Fuel and Light.....	167,000.00
Supplies and Incidentals.....	189,100.00
Repairs and Alterations of School buildings	247,400.00
Rents of Hired School Accommodations	20,000.00
Total amount appropriated..	$3,744,200.00

The order passed by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny, Storrow—5.

Nays—0.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the annual appropriation order, offered at the meeting of Mar. 12, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the order was indefinitely postponed.

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PAYMENT TO GUSTAVUS H. GIBBS.

A bill was received from Gustavus H. Gibbs, janitor of the Bunker Hill School-house, for extra services rendered by him in consequence of the occupancy of the hall of that building for the graduating exercises of the Warren Evening School on the evening of Mar. 9, 1906.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Gustavus H. Gibbs the sum of two dollars ($2) for services rendered by him in consequence of the occupany of the hall of the Bunker Hill School-house for the graduating exercises of the Warren Evening School on the evening of Mar. 9, 1906.

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PAYMENT TO WALTER I. SPRAGUE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the bill received at the meeting of Mar. 19, from Walter I. Sprague, janitor of the Harvard School-house, for extra services rendered by him in consequence of the occupancy of the hall of that building for the graduating exercises of the Charlestown Evening High School on Mar. 9, 1906, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Walter I. Sprague the sum of two dollars ($2) for extra services rendered by him in consequence of the occupancy of the hall of the Harvard School-house for the graduating exercises of the Charlestown Evening High School on Mar. 9, 1906.

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ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL, USE OF DRUMS AND BUGLES.

A communication was received from John F. Casey, Head-Master of the English High School, under date of Mar. 26, 1906, requesting permission for the Drum, Fife and Bugle Corps of that school to use the drums and bugles belonging to the city on the 19th day of April next, with the understanding that any damage resulting from such use of the property will be made good without expense to the city.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the application was granted.

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DECORATION OF OLIVER HAZARD PERRY SCHOOL.

A communication was received from James Mahoney, Chairman of the Executive Committee of the Public School Art League, under date of Mar. 31, 1906, requesting permission to decorate the Oliver Hazard Perry School-house.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the application of the Public School Art League for permission to decorate the Oliver Hazard Perry School-house is hereby approved, and the thanks of this Board are hereby tendered to said League for their generous offer.

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MEDICAL ASSISTANCE, PUPILS OF WASHINGTON SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Mount Sinai Hospital Society, under date of Apr. 2, 1906, calling attention to its facilities for caring for children and its desire to extend its help where needed to pupils attending the Washington School.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent for such action as he may deem wise.

EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL, PROPOSED EXTENSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of School-house Commissioners be informed that in the opinion of this Board said Commission should proceed with the proposed extension and enlargement of the Mechanic Arts High School-house.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 11:29 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL SAN FRANCISCO 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

April 9, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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CLAIM FOR INJURY TO CHILD, HUGH O'BRIEN SCHOOL YARD.

A communication was received from the Assistant Clerk of Committees, under date of Apr. 4, 1906, with reference to a claim of Mrs. Margaret Davis for personal injuries to her daughter, May Davis, who, while playing in the yard of the Hugh O'Brien School, caught her foot in a crack in the concrete, fell, and severely injured her knee, in consequence of which medical and surgical expense amounting to one hundred thirty-three dollars ($133) was incurred, and suggesting that while it appears that the city is not legally bound to settle this claim, the School Committee make a recommendation to the Committee on Claims as to its settlement. Accompanying this communication were various papers in the case.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent for investigation and report.

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DAMAGE TO ENGINE, THOMAS GARDNER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Apr. 7, 1906, enclosing copies of communications from French & Hubbard, and from the Boston Blower Company, with regard to the engine installed at the Thomas Gardner School-house, which is alleged to have been damaged by lack of proper care.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for investigation and report.

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SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, ALL SAINTS HALL, COMINS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under the of Apr. 5, 1906, transmitting a copy of a letter received by that Board from Rev. Charles W. Regan, stating that the city may have the use of All Saints School Hall for school purposes, free of rent, from May 1, on condition that it furnish heat and janitor service.

Placed on file.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Jefferson District—Hugh J. McElaney, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Sherwin District—Emma S. McNamara, Cambridge, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Placed on file.

CONFIRMATIONS.

George Putnam District—Lura B. Galbraith, assistant, Grammar School.

Jefferson District—Mary M. Phelan, assistant, Primary School.

Mary Hemenway District—Martha E. Tracy, assistant, Grammar School.

Thomas Gardner District—Margaret T. Casey, assistant, Grammar School.

William E. Russell District—Florence M. Bell, assistant, Grammar School.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board.

Rice District—Margaret C. Seaver, assistant, Kindergarten, from Apr. 9 until July 1, 1906; Clara M. Jordan, Brookline, substitute.

Manual Training Schools—Ella G. Smith, assistant instructor, from Apr. 9 until July 1, 1906; Helen M. Ekstrom, Waltham, substitute.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of six minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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LYMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE, ASSISTANT TO SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 3, 1906, reporting the reappointment of John H. Bickford as assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house for a period of ten days or less, to date from Apr. 3, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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PAYMENT TO JOHN H. BICKFORD.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 5, 1906, recommending that John H. Bickford, assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house, having rendered services as such from Mar. 29 to Apr. 4, 1906, inclusive, be paid the sum of ten dollars ($10).

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to John H. Bickford the sum of ten dollars ($10) for services as assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house, from Mar. 29 to Apr. 4, 1906, inclusive.

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APPOINTMENTS OF JANITORS, BREWSTER, CHAPMAN, DORCHESTER AVENUE AND NOBLE PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Communications were received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under dates of Apr. 7 and Apr. 9, 1906, recommending the following appointments of janitors of portable school-houses:—

Brewster Portable School-house No. 75—David Falconer, from Apr. 11, 1906.

Chapman Portable School-house No. 85—Arthur Mooney, from Apr. 10, 1906.

Dorchester-avenue Portable School-house No. 29—Conrad J. Hermann, from Apr. 11, 1906.

Noble Portable School-house No. 61—Augustus Robinson, from Apr. 10, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointments approved.

APPOINTMENTS OF JANITORS, LYMAN AND OLD MATHER SCHOOL-HOUSES.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board proceeded to give further consideration to filling the vacancies in the janitorships of the Lyman and Old Mather School-houses.

On motion of the same member, the matter was laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of the same member, the matter was again taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer to the Old Mather School-house of Patrick H. Brennan, now janitor of the Clinch and Portable School-houses Nos. 25 and 72, to date from Apr. 11, 1906, and to the Lyman School-house of Timothy D. Murphy, now janitor of the Old East Boston High and Austin School-houses, to date from Apr. 11, 1906, was approved; these transfers of janitors standing second on the list of applicants for the aforesaid schools, being made because of superior faithfulness and efficiency displayed by them in their present positions.

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ADAMS AND CHESTNUT-STREETS SCHOOL YARD.

A communication was received from Albert T. Pray, under date of Apr. 6, 1906, objecting to the use of the school yard at the corner of Adams and Chestnut streets, Charlestown, for playground purposes.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to Mr. William S. Kenny for investigation and recommendation.

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USE OF ROOM, WELLS SCHOOL-HOUSE, FOR EVENING INSTRUCTION.

An application was received from Stanley A. Starratt, under date of Apr. 4, 1906, for permission to occupy a room in the Wells School-house on Monday and Thursday evenings, beginning Apr. 12, and terminating on or before June 28, 1906, for the purpose of giving further instruction to boys who had attended the Wells Evening School during the past term.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, approved, subject to the usual conditions, but without charge on the part of the city for heat or light.

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BILL OF JAMES LYNCH, STENOGRAPHIC SERVICES.

A bill was received from James Lynch, in the sum of nine hundred and 90-100 dollars ($900.90), for stenographic services rendered in connection with the investigation of the master of the Washington School by the Committee on the Third Division in October and November, 1905.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Auditing Clerk for investigation and report.

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RANK AND SALARY, PRINCIPAL OF HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the rank and salary of the principal of the High School of Commerce shall be that of head-master.

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DIRECTOR OF VACATION SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby requested to give immediate consideration to the appointment of a director of vacation schools to be conducted during the coming summer.

HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMAS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the communication from the Board of Supervisors, received at the meeting of Apr. 2, with reference to awarding diplomas only to those high school pupils who have completed the full course of four years in the Mechanic Arts High School, and to those pupils who have won seventy-six points, which usually requires four years, in the other high schools, was taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the course of study for the Mechanic Arts High School, the course of study for high schools, and sections 266 and 272 of the regulations be amended to conform to the recommendations contained in the aforesaid communication.

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APPOINTMENT OF GERALDINE U. FOX.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the appointment on probation of Geraldine U. Fox as assistant, kindergarten, in the Oliver Wendell Holmes District, from Mar. 1, 1906, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the appointment was approved.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS.

The Board proceeded to consider various items of unfinished business and acted thereon as follows:—

Motion offered at the meeting of Jan. 5, that the Secretary be authorized to continue the present method of printing and distributing the official minutes of the Board.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, placed on file.

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Communication from the School Board of 1905, with regard to the care of school-house floors.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, taken from the table and placed on file.

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Communication received from the Board of Supervisors at the meeting of Jan. 8, with reference to teachers employed in excess of the rules, items 1 and 4.

On motion of Mr. Brock, taken from the table and placed on file.

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Communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian, with reference to the proper care of floors in school buildings, received at the meeting of Jan. 15.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Second item in communication from the Board of Supervisors, received at the meeting of Jan. 15, with reference to the removal of the fittings of the Bird School kitchen to a room in the Shurtleff School-house, and preparing the same for occupancy as a school kitchen.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Communication from the Acting Superintendent, received at the meeting of Feb. 12, with reference to the advisability of establishing a new grammar school district in West Roxbury, having for its main building the Francis Parkman School-house.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Communication from the Board of Supervisors, received at the meeting of Feb. 12, reporting on various matters referred relating to courses of study and economy in the system.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, taken from the table, and placed on file.

Report from the Schoolhouse Custodian, received at the meeting of Feb. 26, on the application of the janitor of the Horace Mann School-house for an increase of salary.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Communications from Jean P. Nickerson and Senator Seiberlich, received at the meeting of Feb. 26, urging the establishment of a new grammar district in West Roxbury, having for its main building the Francis Parkman School-house.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Communication from the City Council, received at the meeting of Mar. 12, requesting the School Committee to purchase a painting commemorative of the evacuation of Boston for the South Boston High School-house.

On motion of Mr. Brock, taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That the City Council be respectfully informed that this Board has duly considered the order of the Council, requesting it to purchase a suitable painting commemorative of the evacuation of the City of Boston by the British in 1776 and to place the same in the hall of the South Boston High School-house, but has no funds available for such expenditure.

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Communication from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, received at the meeting of Mar. 12, with reference to the treatment of floors of certain rooms in the English High School-house.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Petition from E. J. Helms, et als., received at the meeting of Mar. 12, urging the completion of the Francis Parkman School-house at Forest Hills, and the employment therein of a principal and first assistant.

On motion of Mr. Brock, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Communication from the Acting Superintendent, received at the meeting of Mar. 19, relative to suggestions made by the Board of Police, with reference to minors' licenses.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Communication from Elisha W. Morse, received at the meeting of Mar. 19, with reference to the desirability of providing additional grammar school accommodations at Forest Hills in the Francis Parkman School-house.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Communication from the Board of Supervisors, received at the meeting of Mar. 26, with reference to proposed removal of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School from its present location to the Old Dearborn School-house.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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Report from the Schoolhouse Custodian, received at the meeting of Mar. 26, on the communications referred to him with reference to use of bituminous coal in the Winship School-house.

On motion of Mr. Brock, taken from the table, and placed on file.

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BEQUESTS OF CHARLES E. FRENCH.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication from Robert Homans, representing the executors under the will of Charles E. French received at the meeting of Mar. 19, with reference to certain bequests contained in said will for the purpose of providing medals for deserving pupils of the Boston schools, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the matter was referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO JAMES C. CLARK.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the leave of absence granted James C. Clark, instructor of manual training, at the meeting of Apr. 2, was amended to provide that said leave should extend from May 21 until June 22, 1906.

On motion of the same member, the question of compensation for Mr. Clark during said leave was taken from the table and referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS, SPRING VACATION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That section 236 of the regulations, relating to holidays and vacations, be amended as follows, provided, however, that this change shall not apply to the current year:—

Strike out in the sixth line the words "Good Friday." Strike out in the seventh and eighth lines the words "the week immediately preceding the second Monday in April," and substitute in place thereof the words:—the week immediately preceding Easter Day.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 10:35 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

April 16, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last two meetings was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:—

Longfellow District—Helen E. Chandler, assistant, Grammar School, Apr. 13, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Winthrop District—May E. Briggs, Boston, Grammar School, from Apr. 16, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Emerson District—Anna A. Aronie, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 9, 1906.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Gilbert Stuart District—M. Louise Costello, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 23, 1906.

Jefferson District—Irene A. Dooley, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 20, 1906.

Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Longfellow District—Elnora O. C. Standish, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, third year, from Apr. 23, 1906.

Approved.

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VACATION SCHOOLS—SEASON, 1906.

Director.

Michael E. Fitzgerald, Weymouth.

Approved.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Adams District—Fannie M. Morris, first assistant, Primary School.

Lyman District—Mary E. McCormack, assistant, Grammar School.

Quincy District—Harriette H. Gilmore, assistant, Primary School.

Approved.

TRANSFERS.

Brimmer District—Katherine E. Lahey, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Lewis District, to date from Apr. 23, 1906.

Lewis District—Ellen G. Hayden, assistant, Grammar School, to the same position in the Brimmer District, to date from Apr. 23, 1906.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Bennett District—Annie R. Cox, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1 until July 1, 1906; Amy V. Kingston, Boston, substitute.

Bowditch District—Anna E. Marble, principal, Kindergarten, from Mar. 30 until Apr. 30, 1906; Edna F. Hawes, Winchester, substitute.

Brimmer District—Quincy E. Dickerman, master, from May 4 until July 1, 1906.

Christopher Gibson District—Elizabeth G. Crotty, assistant, Primary School, from Apr. 1 until July 1, 1906; Mary I. McIsaac, Boston, substitute.

Everett District—Minna L. Wentworth, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1 until July 1, 1906; Esther M. Buchan, Boston, substitute.

Shurtleff District—Winnifred C. Folan, first assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 9 until July 1, 1906; Minnie B. Conant, Boston, substitute.

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A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 16, 1906, transmitting a request of Frank V. Thompson, Head-Master of the High School of Commerce, requesting leave of absence from Apr. 28 to July 1, 1906, for the purpose of investigating European schools at his own expense.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That Frank V. Thompson, Head-Master of the High School of Commerce, be granted leave of absence with full pay from Apr. 28 until July 1, 1906.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of twenty-seven minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of four to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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EXPERIMENTAL USE OF MUSIC SYSTEMS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Apr. 16, 1906, recommending that said Board be authorized to use experimentally during the investigation of music in the public schools the New American System, Books I, II, III and IV, and Books III, IV and V of the New Educational Music Course in such schools as the Superintendent may designate, provided that no books of either of these systems shall be purchased for use as text-books and that no expense shall be incurred by the city.

Placed on file.

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TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS, SHURTLEFF DISTRICT, BIRD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The following report from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Apr. 16, 1906, was received:—

The rented building at 484 East Fourth street, known as the Bird School, contains two rooms. The upper room is a room of cookery for the accommodation of all the

girls from the John A. Andrew School, and of about two-fifths of the number of girls of the Shurtleff School. The lower room of the Bird School is used for a kindergarten.

The Board recommends:—

1. That the rental of this building be discontinued.
2. That a room of cookery be fitted up at the Shurtleff School.
3. That a room of cookery be fitted up at the John A. Andrew School.
4. That the children of the kindergarten class at the Bird School be distributed among other schools, or that the class be transferred intact to a room in the Shurtleff building.

Accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

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COURSE OF STUDY, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 16, 1906, transmitting a revised course of study for the Mechanic Arts High School, amended to conform to the action of the Board at its meeting of Apr. 2, with reference to awarding diplomas only to pupils who have completed the full course of four years in that school.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the course of study for the Mechanic Arts High School, submitted by the Superintendent, is hereby adopted, and all conflicting orders or adoptions are hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That three thousand copies of the course of study for the Mechanic Arts High School, adopted at this meeting, be printed as a school document.

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COURSE OF STUDY, HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Apr. 16, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Jan. 12, requesting said Board to consider and report upon the advisability of amending the present high school course of study to provide that all pupils shall pursue a definite and prescribed course during the first two years of their attendance at such schools, the present elective system being restricted to third and fourth year pupils, and transmitting a revised course of study for said schools, which course also provides that the so-called first diplomas shall no longer be awarded to pupils subsequently entering such schools.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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BILL OF JAMES LYNCH, STENOGRAPHIC SERVICES.

A report was received from the Auditing Clerk, under date of Apr. 14, 1906, with regard to the bill of James Lynch, amounting to nine hundred and 90-100 dollars ($900.90), for stenographic services rendered in connection with the investigation of the Master of the Washington School by the Committee on the Third Division in October and November, 1905, referred to him at the previous meeting, stating that the bill has been reduced to eight hundred twenty-four and 65-100 dollars ($824.65), and recommending that that amount be paid in full settlement for such services.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the bill of James Lynch for stenographic services rendered in connection with the investigation of the Master of the Washington School by the Committee on the Third Division in October and November, 1905, amounting to eight hundred twenty-four and 65-100 dollars ($824.65), be approved.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1905-06.

Mr. William S. Kenny presented the financial report of the School Committee for the year 1905-06, prepared by the Auditing Clerk, being School Document No. 1-, 1906.

Accepted.

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TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to fit up the Winthrop-street School-house in Roxbury as temporary quarters for the High School of Commerce.

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NUMBER OF PUPILS, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That for the year 1906-07 the attendance at the High School of Commerce be limited to one hundred and sixty (160) boys, selected by the Superintendent from those who have successfully completed two years' work in a Boston high school, or its equivalent.

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OLD EAST BOSTON HIGH AND AUSTIN SCHOOL-HOUSES, ASSISTANT TO SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 12, 1906, reporting the appointment of John H. Bickford as assistant to the acting janitor of the Old East Boston High and Austin School-houses for a period of ten days or less, to date from Apr. 11, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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PAYMENT TO JOHN H. BICKFORD.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 12, 1906, recommending that John H. Bickford, assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house, having rendered services as such from Apr. 5 to 10, 1906, inclusive, be paid the sum of eight and 58-100 dollars ($8.58).

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to John H. Bickford the sum of eight and 58-100 dollars ($8.58) for services as assistant to the acting janitor of the Lyman School-house, from Apr. 5 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

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JANITORSHIP, CLINCH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 14, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Clinch School-house and Portable Buildings Nos. 25 and 72, located respectively in the Clinch and Shurtleff School yards.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the transfer to said position of John L. Galway, janitor of the Way-street School-house, the transfer to take effect Apr. 19, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, OLD EAST BOSTON HIGH AND AUSTIN SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 14, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Old East Boston High and Austin School-houses.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board approved the transfer to said position of David Falconer, janitor of the Brewster

School-house, Brewster Annex and Portable Building, the transfer to take effect Apr. 19, 1906.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 14, 1906, reporting the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from Apr. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.
Placed on file.

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DAMAGE TO ENGINE, THOMAS GARDNER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 16, 1906, containing a report of his investigation of the damage to the engine of the Thomas Gardner School-house, which is alleged to have been caused by lack of proper care, which matter was referred to him at the previous meeting.
Placed on file, and a copy ordered to be sent to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners.

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COSTUME MODELS, EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Acting Superintendent, under date of Mar. 5, 1906, with reference to an additional expenditure for costume models in the Evening Drawing Schools, was taken from the table, and placed on file.
On motion of the same member, it was
ORDERED, That the expenditure of an additional sum of sixty dollars ($60) is hereby authorized for services of costume models in the Evening Drawing Schools during the past term.

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EXHIBITION OF SCHOOL MATERIAL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board voted to rescind that part of the order passed at the meeting of Jan. 8, whereby Supervisor White was authorized to dispose of certain cabinets containing school material exhibited at St. Louis and Portland, and to apply the proceeds thereof to defray the expenses of the exhibit of such material recently held in the Bowdoin School-house.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That an expenditure not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100) and drayage is hereby authorized to meet the expense of the exhibit of school material sent to the Expositions at St. Louis and Portland, and recently placed on exhibition in the Bowdoin School-house.

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On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to place the cases in which the aforesaid material is contained where in his judgment they will be of most benefit to the public schools.

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USE OF HALL, LAWRENCE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from Amos M. Leonard, Master of the Lawrence School, for permission to occupy the hall of that building on two afternoons for the purpose of giving entertainments, the proceeds thereof to be devoted to the purchase of works of art for school-room decoration, accompanied by a communication requesting that no charge for heat or light be made on behalf of the city.
Mr Thomas J. Kenny moved that the aforesaid application be granted, subject to the usual conditions and without charge on the part of the city.
Lost.

ACCOMMODATIONS IN SCHOOL-HOUSES, CHARGE FOR JANITOR SERVICES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the present rate for janitor service in connection with the occupancy of school buildings for other than the regular work of the schools, was referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and report as to whether or not the same can be reduced without injustice to the janitor force.

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CLAIM FOR INJURY TO CHILD, HUGH O'BRIEN SCHOOL YARD.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 16, 1906, stating that he had considered the communication of the Committee on Claims, referred to him at the previous meeting, suggesting the advisability of recommending the payment of one hundred thirty-three dollars ($133) to Mrs. Margaret Davis for expenses incurred for medical services to her daughter, May Davis, who claims to have been injured in the yard of the Hugh O'Brien School, and is of the opinion that such payment should be recommended.
Placed on file.

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ADAMS AND CHESTNUT-STREETS SCHOOL YARD.

Mr. William S. Kenny, to whom was referred at the last meeting a communication from Albert T. Pray, objecting to the use of the school yard at the corner of Adams and Chestnut streets for playground purposes, made an oral report thereon, and moved that the permission heretofore given to occupy this yard as a playground be rescinded.
Laid on the table.

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SELECTION OF CLASS PHOTOGRAPHERS, LEGAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY CHARLES M. CLAY AND GEORGE C. MANN.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the application of Charles M. Clay, Head-Master of the Roxbury High School, that the city assume the legal expenses incurred by him in connection with the bill in equity brought against him by J. E. Purdy & Co. in connection with the selection of a class photographer, was taken from the table.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, the same action was also taken with regard to a similar application made by George C. Mann, Head-Master of the West Roxbury High School.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, both of the aforesaid matters were again laid on the table.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That the Corporation Counsel be requested to inform this Board whether in his opinion the city can legally assume the payment of the expenses incurred by Messrs. Clay and Mann in connection with this matter.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.
On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 10:55 o'clock P.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

April 23, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS, SHURTLEFF DISTRICT, BIRD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of Apr. 18, 1906, acknowledging the receipt of notice of the action of the Board at its last meeting with respect to discontinuing the use of the rented building at 484 East Fourth street, known as the Bird School, and providing elsewhere for the classes accommodated in that building, and stating that the matter would be taken up with the Superintendent.

Placed on file.

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The following appointment by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, was presented:—

REAPPOINTMENT OF A TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Schools of Cookery—Mary T. Galvin, Boston, instructor, from May 2, 1906.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Bowdoin District—Mary W. French, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 1 until July 1, 1906; David Fliegelman, Boston, substitute.

Winthrop District—Caroline Merrill, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 1 until July 1, 1906; Mabel A. Grogan, Cambridge, substitute.

Instructor of Sewing—Kate A. Clare, from Mar. 9 until July 1, 1906; Katherine E. Flanagan, Boston, substitute.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of twenty-eight minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of one to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Apr. 23, 1906, transmitting a plan for the appointment and promotion of instructors in accordance with civil service rules, and for promotive examinations of instructors, in response to the action of the Board at its meeting on Jan. 1, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

INTRODUCTION OF IRISH HISTORY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of Apr. 23, 1906, reporting that it has considered the order passed at the meeting of Mar. 12, relative to the introduction of Irish history in the public schools, and recommending that Johnston & Spencer's Ireland's Story, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., be authorized for use as a supplementary book in the high schools and as a reference book in the grammar schools.

Placed on file.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:—

ORDERED, That Johnston & Spencer's Ireland's Story, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., be authorized for use as a supplementary book in high schools, and as a reference book in grammar schools.

Laid over.

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MEDICAL ASSOCIATION OF UNITED STATES CONVENTION, JUNE, 1906.

Mr. A. R. Barrow appeared and requested that a limited number of high school cadets in uniform be permitted to render messenger service during the afternoon of Monday, June 4, 1906, and all day on Tuesday, June 5, 1906, in connection with the convention of the Medical Association of the United States, to be held in Boston on June 5, 6, 7 and 8, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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KEYS TO ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 23, 1906, reporting that he had received nineteen keys to the Roxbury High Schoolhouse, which had been collected from instructors of that school, who were in possession of the same in violation of the regulation limiting the issue of keys to school buildings.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Head-Master of the Roxbury High School be requested to explain to this Board why the regulation limiting the number of keys to school buildings has been violated with respect to his school, and to state further by whom these keys were issued, and where and under what circumstances they were made.

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ACCOMMODATIONS IN SCHOOL-HOUSES, CHARGE FOR JANITOR SERVICES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 23, 1906, in response to the action taken by the Board at its last meeting requesting him to consider and report whether or not the present rate for janitor service in connection with the occupancy of school buildings for other than the regular work of the school can be reduced without injustice to the janitor force, stating that in his opinion the present schedule is an equitable one and should not be reduced; further, that while janitors may not charge more than the regular schedule rate for their services, they are not forbidden to reduce or abate such rate, and that it would be desirable when the regulations are amended to have this point more clearly defined.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, WAY-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the vacancy existing in the janitorship of the Way-street School-house.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid over to the following meeting.

JANITORSHIP, BREWSTER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the vacancy existing in the janitorship of the Brewster School-house, Annex and Portable Building No. 75.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board approved the transfer to said position of Patrick F. Powers, janitor of the Margaret Fuller School-house, the transfer to take effect Apr. 25, 1906.

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OLD MATHER SCHOOL-HOUSE, CLEANING OF WINDOWS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 20, 1906, recommending that the cost of cleaning the windows of the Old Mather School-house during the current month, when this building was in charge of a substitute janitor, be assumed by the city, in accordance with the usual custom in such cases.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to the Bay State Cleaning Co. the sum of sixteen and 32-100 dollars ($16.32) for cleaning the windows of the Old Mather School-house in April, 1906.

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RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1906, enclosing the resignation of Timothy C. Keleher as janitor of Christopher Gibson Portable School-houses Nos. 44 and 45, to date from Oct. 1, 1905.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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PAYMENT TO JOHN H. BICKFORD.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1906, recommending that John H. Bickford, assistant to the acting janitor of the Old East Boston High and Austin School-houses, having rendered services as such from Apr. 11 to 18, 1906, inclusive, be paid the sum of six and 40-100 dollars ($6.40).

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to John H. Bickford the sum of six and 40-100 dollars ($6.40) for services as assistant to the acting janitor of the Old East Boston High and Austin School-houses, from Apr. 11 to 18, 1906, inclusive.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 21, 1906, reporting the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from Apr. 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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MEETING OF EASTERN ART TEACHERS' AND EASTERN MANUAL TRAINING ASSOCIATIONS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to grant leave of absence without loss of pay to those teachers of drawing and of manual training who may desire to attend the joint meeting of the Eastern Art Teachers' Association and the Eastern Manual Training Association, to be held in New York City on May 31 and June 1 and 2, 1906.

ONE SESSION, FIRST GRADE, CHESTNUT-AVENUE SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the action, providing that there shall be but one daily session of the first grade classes in the Chestnut-avenue School-house, Bowditch District, taken by the School Board on May 9 and Dec. 26, 1905, be and the same hereby is continued until the close of the schools in June, 1906.

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GRADUATION EXERCISES, WASHINGTON ALLSTON GRAMMAR SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the graduation exercises of the Washington Allston Grammar School be held on Friday, June 22, 1906.

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CONTRIBUTIONS FOR SCHOOL BUILDING, SAN FRANCISCO.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the principals of schools and districts are hereby authorized to take such means as they deem expedient to raise money among the school children of the city of Boston for the purpose of erecting a school building in the city of San Francisco, Cal.; provided, however, that no pupil in the elementary schools shall be permitted to contribute more than five cents and no pupil in the high schools more than ten cents.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to take such steps as he may deem expedient to secure cooperation of the school children of other cities in the effort to raise money for the purpose of erecting a school building in the city of San Francisco, Cal.

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EXPERIMENTAL USE OF MUSIC SYSTEMS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors are authorized to use experimentally, during the investigation of music in the public schools, the New American System, Books I, II, III and IV, published by the Macmillan Company; and Books III, IV and V of the New Educational Music Course, published by Ginn & Company, in such schools as the Superintendent may designate, provided that no books of either of these systems shall be purchased and that no expense shall be incurred by the city because of this experimental use.

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DIRECTOR OF EVENING SCHOOLS AND VACATION SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the position of Director of Evening Schools and Vacation Schools is hereby established, said Director to have general charge of Evening Schools and Vacation Schools and to perform such other duties as may be assigned to him by the Superintendent.

Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the vote whereby the foregoing order was declared passed was reconsidered, and the order laid on the table.

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PRINTING FOR SCHOOL EXHIBITIONS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent consider and report upon the advisability of curtailing the printing usually called for in connection with the school exhibitions.

TYPEWRITER, SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That an additional typewriting machine be furnished the Superintendent.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAY ROLLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills for the month of May, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. David A. Ellis.

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DISPOSAL OF WORN-OUT BOOKS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized, at his discretion, to dispose of such worn-out books as may be wanted by the Bowling Green Industrial Academy of Bowling Green, Va.

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SALARY OF FRANK HASEY.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That Frank Hasey, truant officer, be allowed and paid his regular salary for the month of April, 1906, notwithstanding his illness during said month.

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SALARY OF JAMES BRAGDON.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That James Bragdon, truant officer, be allowed and paid his regular salary for the month of March, 1906, notwithstanding his illness during a part of said month.

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EXPENDITURE FOR SUPPLEMENTARY READING, GRAMMAR AND PRIMARY SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That an expenditure of four thousand dollars ($4,000) be authorized for supplementary reading in the grammar and primary schools, and that the Board of Supervisors be requested to apportion to the various districts such part of this amount as in their judgment will be productive of the best results.

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SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS IN VICINITY OF ST. MARY'S STREET.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent consider and report upon the advisability of requesting the Schoolhouse Commission to place a portable building in the vicinity of St. Mary's street, for the use of primary children in that locality.

TYPEWRITERS, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized to furnish the High School of Commerce such typewriters as may be needed, not exceeding thirty (30).

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TERM OF EVENING SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to consider and report to this Board upon the advisability of amending section 311 of the regulations to provide that the term of the Evening Schools shall begin on the second Monday in October instead of on the last Monday in September.

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ADAMS AND CHESTNUT-STREETS SCHOOL YARD.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the report and motion made by him at the previous meeting with reference to the use of the school yard at the corner of Adams and Chestnut streets for playground purposes, was taken from the table.

Mr. Kenny presented to the Board a communication addressed to him by J. P. O'Riorden, stating that the situation with respect to this matter is a very serious one, and urging that the use of this yard as a playground no longer be permitted.

The communication was placed on file.

Mr. Kenny's motion that the permission heretofore given to occupy this yard as a playground be rescinded, was passed.

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EAST BOSTON EVENING HIGH SCHOOL BASKET BALL TEAM, PROCEEDS OF GAMES.

Mr. William S. Kenny presented a communication addressed to him by Myron W. Richardson, under date of Apr. 11, 1906, requesting instructions as to the disposition of balance of proceeds of the last season of the East Boston Evening High School Basket Ball Team, which is now in his possession.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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TEMPORARY ACCOMMODATIONS, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from the Superintendent at the meeting of Apr. 2, recommending that the High School of Commerce be placed temporarily in the Winthrop-street Schoolhouse, Roxbury, was taken from the table and placed on file.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:20 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

April 30, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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INTRODUCTION OF IRISH HISTORY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The following order, laid over at the last meeting, was read:—

ORDERED, That Johnston & Spencer's Ireland's Story, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., be authorized for use as a supplementary book in high schools, and as a reference book in grammar schools.

Passed unanimously.

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The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council, March 22, 1906.

ORDERED, That the Board of School Committee be requested, through His Honor the Mayor, to include in the list of elective studies in the Grammar, High and Latin Schools courses in the history of Ireland; and further

That said Board be requested to inform the City Council what steps, if any, are necessary to be taken by the City Council to carry out this order.

Passed. Sent up for concurrence.

In Board of Aldermen, March 26, concurred.

A true copy.

Attest:— John T. Priest.
Asst. City Clerk.

April 24, 1906. Referred to the School Committee for such action as they may deem necessary.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to inform the City Council that the Board has considered the question of introducing the study of Irish history in the public schools, and finds that in so far as this is desirable it can be accomplished by providing suitable supplementary and reference books for use in the regular history course now in operation. It has, therefore, passed the following order:—

ORDERED, That Johnston & Spencer's Ireland's Story, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., be authorized for use as a supplementary book in high schools, and as a reference book in grammar schools.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:—

Dwight District—Laila G. Staples, assistant, Kindergarten, May 7, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Dearborn District—Rose A. Conry, Boston, Grammar School, from May 1, 1906.

Lawrence District—Margaret A. F. Cotter, Boston, Primary School, from May 1, 1906.

Roger Wolcott District—Elizabeth L. Holton, Boston, Kindergarten, from May 1, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—Hortense E. Wales, Boston, Grammar School, from Apr. 23, 1906.

Wells District—Dora L. Lourie, Boston, Primary School, from Apr. 24, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Bowditch District—Edna F. Hawes, Winchester, assistant, Kindergarten, from May 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dorchester High School—Lura M. Bent, Boston, teacher of drawing, from May 2, 1906.

Washington District—Mary E. Harvell, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—Katharine L. Colbert, Boston, assistant instructor, from May 2, 1906; Alice S. Bryant, Boston, assistant instructor, from May 21, 1906.

Approved.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Public Latin School—Charles F. Winslow, junior-master.

Franklin District—Margaret C. Donovan, assistant, Primary School.

Lyman District—M. Gertrude Godvin, assistant, Grammar School; Bereneice E. Reardon, assistant, Primary School.

Mather District—Mary A. Dunican, assistant, Primary School.

Washington District—Mary E. Gately, Gertrude H. Sullivan, assistants, Grammar School; Idabel F. Butler, Anna F. Moran, Mary A. L. Timony, assistants, Primary School.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Bennett District—Helen L. Arnold, principal, Kindergarten, from Apr. 23 until June 1, 1906; Theodora Ballou, Boston, substitute.

Dearborn District—Anna M. Stevens, assistant, Primary School, from April 17 until July 1, 1906; Katherine R. Murphy, Boston, substitute.

Hyde District—Caroline K. Nickerson, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 16 until July 1, 1906; Helen E. Hermes, Boston, substitute.

Prescott District—Lizzie Simpson, assistant, Primary School, from May 1 until July 1, 1906; Mary M. Hayes, Boston, substitute.

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TEMPORARY TEACHER, NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Apr. 30, 1906, recommending the employment of a temporary teacher in the Normal School during the remainder of the current school year by the transfer of an instructor already in the service.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the employment of Isabella J. Ray, an assistant in the grammar school of the Emerson District, as a temporary teacher in the Normal School from May 7th to the close of the school year, be authorized; Miss Ray to be paid at the

same rate as if she were teaching as assistant in the grammar school. Be it further ordered, That while Miss Ray, because of her service in the Normal School, is absent from her regular position in the Emerson School, her place in that school may be filled by a temporary teacher.

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THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to investigate and report the number of teachers employed in various normal and professional schools as compared with those in the Boston Normal School, and whether or not the number of teachers in the latter school can be reduced without detriment to the school.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of forty minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of four to be licensed to black boots, and of one to be licensed to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 30, 1906, reporting the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from Apr. 21 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, MARGARET FULLER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 28, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the vacancy existing in the janitorship of the Margaret Fuller School-house.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the transfer to said position of Charles F. Travis, janitor of the Abby W. May School-house, to date from May 5, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 30, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Nathaniel Hawthorne School-house.

Also a further communication under the same date, reporting that Samuel T. McClennan, janitor of the Howard-avenue School-houses, has made application for the janitorship of the Nathaniel Hawthorne School-house in addition to the buildings now under his charge.

Severally placed on file.

Mr. Ellis moved the appointment of Samuel T. McClennan as janitor of the Nathaniel Hawthorne School-house in addition to the buildings already under his charge.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved as an amendment that Samuel T. McClennan be transferred from the Howard-avenue School-house to the Hawthorne School-house, retaining under his charge the Howard-avenue Annex, and Portable Building.

Mr. Kenny's amendment was lost.

Mr. Ellis's motion passed, the date of appointment to be determined by the School-house Custodian.

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JANITORSHIP, WAY-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Board also took up the communication received from the Schoolhouse Custodian at the previous meeting, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the vacancy existing in the janitorship of the Way-street School-house.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board approved the transfer to said position of Andrew J. Dole, janitor of the Pierpont School-house, to date from May 5, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 28, 1906, enclosing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Old Horace Mann School-house on Warrenton street, recently hired for school purposes.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board approved the transfer to said position of John J. Kearns, janitor of the Quincy-street School-house, to date from Apr. 29, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, QUINCY-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Apr. 30, 1906, reporting the transfer, subject to the approval of the Board, of Margaret Kelly, now janitor of the Glenway and Glenway Annex School-houses, to the Quincy-street School-house, Mather District, to fill the vacancy in that position created by the transfer of John J. Kearns.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the aforesaid transfer was approved, to date from May 1, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, PIERPONT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the transfer of John J. Norton, janitor of the Girls' High School Portable Buildings, Nos. 34 and 35, to the janitorship of the Pierpont School-house, to date from May 5, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, GIRLS' HIGH PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

On motion of Mr. Brock, John Murphy, Jr., janitor of the Girls' High School-house, was appointed janitor of Portable Buildings Nos. 34 and 35, located in the yard of that school, to date from May 5, 1906.

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BILL FROM GEORGE F. BARRY.

A bill was received from George F. Barry, janitor of the South Boston High School-house, for additional compensation for services as janitor of the South Boston Evening High School during the past term.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the janitor of the South Boston Evening High School be paid at the rate of four dollars ($4) for each evening of actual service during the term of 1905-06.

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NO. 32 PARMENTER-STREET SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commissioners be requested to terminate at an early date the occupancy of the premises No. 32 Parmenter street, now used for school purposes.

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BOUNDARY LINES, ADAMS DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter the boundary lines of the Adams District for boys and girls shall be as follows:—

Beginning at the water, on the northerly side of Maverick street; thence by the railroad to the southerly side of Sumner

street; thence by the southerly side of Sumner street to Mystic river; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

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BOUNDARY LINES, LYMAN DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter the boundary lines of the Lyman District for boys and girls shall be as follows:—

Beginning at Mystic river; thence by a line running easterly across Central square to Bennington street; thence by the centres of Bennington and Brooks streets to the water; thence by the water to Maverick street; thence by the railroad to the southerly side of Sumner street; thence by the southerly side of Sumner street to Mystic river; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

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COURSE OF STUDY, HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the communication from the Board of Supervisors, received at the meeting of Apr. 16, transmitting a revised course of study for high schools, was taken from the table.

The communication was placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the course of study for high schools submitted by the Superintendent is hereby adopted, and all conflicting orders or adoptions are hereby repealed.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That eight thousand copies of the course of study for high schools, adopted at this meeting, be printed as a school document.

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PENSION SYSTEM FOR INSTRUCTORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary is hereby authorized to employ such extra clerical assistance as he may require at a cost not exceeding two hundred dollars ($200) for the preparation of necessary data in connection with the further consideration of a plan for the pensioning of instructors.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the plan received from the Board of Supervisors at the last meeting with respect to the appointment and promotion of instructors be printed.

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The plan referred to in the foregoing order is as follows:—

ORDERED, That the Regulations be amended as follows:—

Chapter XI. Strike out the chapter and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Chapter XI.

Examination, Appointment and Promotion of Instructors.

Section 120. Two examinations shall be held in each school year of candidates for appointment as teachers in the public schools; the first in January and the second in April, under the direction of the Board of Supervisors, which Board shall determine for what grade or grades of certificates each such examination shall be held. Other examinations may be held whenever in the opinion of the Superintendent the needs of the schools seem to demand the same. Notice of such examinations shall be given by advertisement in at least four daily newspapers published in the City of Boston.

2. The Board of Supervisors shall prepare and distribute information with regard to the time of holding, character, and scope of such examinations, and the weight given to each subject included therein.

3. These examinations shall be conducted by the Board of Supervisors, with the assistance of such directors, principals, or other persons as the Board of Supervisors may deem necessary. No person not actually engaged in taking, conducting, or assisting at any examination shall be present thereat.

4. The examinations given as aforesaid shall be designed to test the training, knowledge, aptness for teaching, and character of the candidates.

5. The marking of each paper shall be made on a scale and in accordance with a plan to be determined by the Board of Supervisors.

Sect. 121. The Board of Supervisors shall grant certificates of qualification to persons successfully passing examinations as aforesaid, as follows:

2. High School, Head-Master's: To Head-Masters of Normal Schools and of Day and Evening High Schools.

3. High School: To Masters, junior masters, assistant principals, and assistants of Normal Schools and of Day and Evening High Schools.

4. Grammar School, Master's: To Masters of Grammar Schools and principals of Evening High and Elementary Schools. A Grammar School, Class A certificate issued prior to November 29, 1901, shall be held as equivalent to the Grammar School Master's certificate.

5. Grammar School, Class A: To submasters and first assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and assistants of Evening High Schools.

6. Grammar School, Special: To assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and of Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools, and to substitutes for submasters and for first assistants of Grammar Schools, and for assistants in Day High Schools.

7. Grammar School, Class B: To assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and of Evening Elementary Schools.

8. Kindergarten: To Instructors of kindergartens.

9. Special: To Instructors in special studies and of special schools.

10. Limited: To instructors in industrial subjects in Educational Centres.

11. Interpreters: To instructors in interpreting languages in Evening Elementary Schools and in Educational Centres.

Sect, 122. All candidates for certificates of qualification must present satisfactory evidence of possessing good character, health, and scholarship, and in addition thereto shall furnish the following:—

2. For the High School, Head-Master's Certificate: A diploma from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors or from an institution of as high a grade; evidence of five years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools; evidence of good administrative ability.

3. For the High School Certificate: A diploma from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors, or from an institution of as high a grade; evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.

4. For the Grammar School, Master's Certificate: Evidence of five years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools; evidence of good administrative ability.

5. For the Grammar School Certificate, Class A: Evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.

6. For the Grammar School Certificate, Special: Graduation from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors, and graduation from the Boston Normal School.

7. For the Grammar School Certificate, Class B: Evidence of two years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.

8. For the Kindergarten Certificate: Evidence of one year's successful experience

in teaching a regular kindergarten subsequent to graduation from a kindergarten training school approved by the Board of Supervisors.

9. For special certificates: Evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools of such grade or grades as the Board of Supervisors may determine.

10. For Limited Certificates: Evidence of three years' successful experience in the practical pursuit of the industry the candidate is to teach. These certificates shall expire the first day of September following the date of issue.

11. Interpreters' Certificates: A thorough knowledge of the English Language, and of such other language or languages as the candidate is to interpret. These certificates shall expire the first day of September, following the date of issue.

12. A satisfactory certificate in pedagogy or a diploma from the Boston Normal School or from a State Normal School in Massachusetts is accepted as equivalent to one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools.

Sect. 123. Certificates of qualification shall be signed by the Superintendent and at least a majority of the Supervisors, and no certificate shall be signed in blank.

2. The holder of a certificate shall be eligible for service as a substitute, temporary teacher, or special assistant, or for appointment on probation, except as otherwise specified in the preceding section. (See Grammar School, Special Certificates.)

3. The High School, Head-Master's Certificate includes all the regular certificates. The High School Certificate and the Grammar School Master's Certificate include the Grammar School Certificates, Class A and B. The Grammar School Certificate, Class A, includes the Grammar School Certificate, Class B. None of these certificates include the kindergarten certificate or certificates for special instructors, or limited, or interpreters' certificates.

Sect. 124. The names of those successfully passing such examinations shall be arranged in the order of their respective qualifications as ascertained by such examination.

2. Graduates of the Boston Normal School shall be arranged in suitable graded eligible lists in the order of their respective qualifications, as determined by the Board of Supervisors, and shall annually be regraded upon said lists by said Board. Not less than one-third nor more than two-thirds of the appointments as assistants in grammar and primary schools and kindergartens shall be made from these lists. Graduates of the Boston Normal School may obtain positions upon other eligible lists under the conditions prescribed for other candidates.

Sect. 125. The names of persons holding certificates which include certificates of lower grades may, upon request, be included in the eligible list of such lower grade or grades according to the marking of such holders of certificates in their respective examinations, but they shall not be entitled to a higher standing on such lower list or lists by reason of their holding higher grade certificates.

Sect. 126. All certificates cease to be valid when the names of the holders thereof are removed from the eligible lists; except that certificates under which appointments are made to permanent positions in the day school service shall remain valid during the term of such service and for the two years after the holders thereof have ceased to be in the service.

2. Certificates issued under these regulations are not renewable. Certificates issued under former regulations retain their validity for the term specified by the regulations under which they were granted, but shall not be renewed.

3. Any certificate may be revoked by the Board of Supervisors, if in its opinion the good of the service so demands.

Sect. 127. Except in cases of promotion or transfer or of appointment as principal of a school or district or as director of a special subject, no person shall, after September 1, 1906, be appointed to teach in the public schools whose name does not appear among the highest tenth of the names on the proper eligible list willing to accept such appointments, without regard to the dates on which the names were placed on said lists, provided that not less than three shall be eligible for appointment on any list. The names of persons appointed to permanent positions in the day school service shall be removed from the eligible lists; and any person whose name appears on such lists may, upon request, have the same removed therefrom.

2. The names of persons appointed to positions in evening schools or as substitutes, temporary teachers, or special assistants in day schools shall not be removed from their respective eligible lists because of such appointment.

3. Promotions of instructors in the service shall be made in the order of merit as determined by quality and character of service.

Sect. 128. The name of any person appearing on any eligible list who has failed of selection on five separate occasions when another person on said list has been selected and appointed, may be dropped from said list by action of the Board of Supervisors, and shall not be restored thereto except by another examination. The name of any person that has been on any eligible list six years shall be removed therefrom, and may be restored thereto only by examination. Any person taking more than one examination of the same class shall be rated in the eligible list of that class solely on the results of the latest examination.

Sect. 129. All instructors, excepting principals and directors, holding permanent positions in the day school service, whose compensation is on a sliding scale with a fixed increase for each successive year of service, shall be paid at the rate established for the first year of service, until the first of January or the first of September next following the first anniversary of the beginning of their service. The advance to the second year of the salary schedule and all subsequent advances, if any, shall be made upon the first of January or the first of September respectively.

Sect. 130. Two promotional examinations shall be held each year, one in December and one in May, for the purpose of determining the efficiency of the instructors in the service. These examinations shall consist of three parts: (1) Success in the school during the preceding year; (2) Professional study; and (3) Academic study in some one line.

2. All instructors, excepting principals and directors, whose compensation is on a sliding scale with a fixed increase for each successive year of service, must take the promotional examination next following the second anniversary of the date on which they began service.

3. Instructors successfully passing the aforesaid examination shall be placed upon the third year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the date of the examination.

4. Instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examination shall remain on the salary of the second year of their respective schedules for another year when they shall again be examined in a similar manner. If they successfully pass the examination they shall be placed upon the third year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the date of the examination. The employment of instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examinations on two successive occasions shall terminate with the first of September next following the date of the second examination.

Sect. 131. All instructors who are receiving the sixth year salary of their respective schedules shall be examined by the Board of Supervisors before being placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective schedules. This examination shall consist of three parts: (1) Success in the school during the preceding year; (2) Professional study; and (3) Academic study in some one line.

2. Instructors successfully passing the aforesaid examination shall be placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the completion of the year during which they have received the salary established for the sixth year of service of their respective ranks, and shall be regularly advanced on succeeding anniversaries until the maximum salary of their rank or grade is reached.

3. Instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examination or who do not wish to be thus examined shall remain on the sixth year salary of their respective schedules until such time as they shall have successfully passed such examination; when they shall be placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the date of the examination, and shall be regularly advanced on succeeding anniversaries until the maximum salary of their rank or grade is reached.

Sect. 132. The Board of Supervisors shall determine the method of estimating an instructor's success in the school and shall determine the course of professional study. It shall prepare a list of academic subjects from which the instructor may select the one in which he prefers to be examined.

2. The Board of Supervisors shall prepare and distribute information with regard to the time of holding, the character and scope of such examinations, and the relative weight given to each part included therein.

3. The Board of Supervisors shall issue to each person passing the aforesaid examinations a certificate to that effect.

4. The Board of Supervisors shall certify to the Auditing Clerk the names of instructors who have successfully passed the aforesaid examinations and the date thereof.

Sect. 133. Instructors who intend to take the aforesaid examinations shall give written notice to the Secretary of the Board of Supervisors of such intention together with the academic subject selected for the test, at least two months before the time appointed for the holding of such examinations.

Sections 129, 130, 131, 132 and 133 shall apply to all instructors beginning service on and after September 1, 1906.

Sect. 134. Upon the recommendation of the principal and supervisor of any school or district, the Superintendent may require any instructor now in the service or who may hereafter enter the service to take the promotional examination in May of any year. Notice of said requirement shall be sent to said instructor before October first preceding the date on which said examination is required.

2. Instructors failing to pass said examination must be again examined in the following May.

3. The employment of instructors who have been so required to take the promotional examinations and who have failed to pass said examinations on two successive occasions shall terminate with the close of the school year next following the date of the second examination.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 9:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

May 7, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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PAINTING COMMEMORATIVE OF EVACUATION OF BOSTON.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council, May 3, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested to report to this body, at its next meeting, what sum would be sufficient to purchase a suitable painting commemorative of the evacuation of Boston by the British in 1776.

Passed in Common Council, May 3, 1906.

A true copy.

Attest:

Joseph O'Kane,
Clerk of the Common Council.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Secretary was directed to inform the Common Council that the prices of paintings vary so greatly that this Board finds itself unable to answer the question asked by the Council.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:—

Hancock District—Edith Wordell, assistant, Kindergarten, May 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Wells District—Dora L. Adler, Boston, Kindergarten, from May 8, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Bunker Hill District—Susan T. Rooney, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1, 1906.

Dwight District—Lillian Bonelli, Boston, assistant, Kindergarten, from May 7, 1906.

Emerson District—Ida M. Carliell, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from May 7, 1906.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Christopher Gibson District—Agnes G. Strong, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from May 10, 1906.

Instructor of Sewing—Anastasia Gannon, Boston, from May 22, 1906.

Approved.

APPOINTMENT OF A PRINCIPAL.

Washington District—Benjamin J. Hinds, Stoneham, master, from May 14, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Dorchester High School—Lucy A. Frost, assistant, from Apr. 4, until July 1, 1906; Frances Zirngiebel, Boston, substitute.

Bunker Hill District—Kate C. Thompson, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1, until July 1, 1906; without pay.

Dwight District—H. Maude Marshall, principal, Kindergarten, from Apr. 9, until June 1, 1906; Esther Babcock, Boston, substitute.

Everett District—Myron T. Pritchard, master, from Apr. 1, until Apr. 16, 1906.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-seven minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of five to be licensed to black boots, and of one to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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PRINTING FOR SCHOOL EXHIBITIONS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent under date of May 7, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Apr. 23, directing him to consider and report upon the advisability of curtailing the printing usually called for in connection with school exhibitions, recommending that the present form of programs for such exhibitions be continued.

Placed on file.

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THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 7, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Apr. 30, requesting him to investigate and report the number of teachers employed in various normal and professional schools as compared with those in the Boston Normal School, and whether or not the number of teachers in the latter school can be reduced without detriment to that school; submitting the desired information, which shows that the number of pupils per teacher in the Boston Normal School is greater than in most of the normal schools, colleges, universities, and professional schools, and stating his concurrence in the opinion of the Board of Supervisors that it is not wise to reduce the number of instructors in the Boston Normal School.

Placed on file.

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CLERICAL ASSISTANCE, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 7, 1906, relative to the communication from the Head-Master of the West Roxbury High School, requesting an allowance of one hundred dollars ($100) for clerical assistance during the remainder of the school term, referred to him at the meeting of Jan. 22, recommending that the application be granted, the amount requested, however, to cover the remainder of the current calendar year.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That fifty dollars ($50) be allowed for clerical assistance in the West Roxbury High School during the remainder of the calendar year.

CLERICAL ASSISTANCE, SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 7, 1906, stating that the Head-Master of the South Boston High School requests an allowance of one hundred dollars ($100) for clerical assistance during the remainder of the calendar year, and recommending the granting of such application.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That fifty dollars ($50) be allowed for clerical assistance in the South Boston High School during the remainder of the calendar year.

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BEQUESTS OF CHARLES E. FRENCH.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 4, 1906, with reference to the communication from the executors under the will of Charles E. French, relative to certain bequests contained in said will for the purpose of providing medals for deserving pupils of the Boston schools, referred Apr. 9, stating that in the opinion of said Board the terms of said will are not desirable, but if the income of the legacies could be available for the purpose of assisting worthy and needy graduates in continuing their education in higher schools, or, if it could be used for increasing the efficiency of their undergraduate work, it would be very desirable; also recommending that the School Committee decline to accept the legacies under the conditions of the will.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, a copy thereof was ordered to be transmitted to Robert Homans, representing the executors of said will, and the Chairman was requested to confer with him as to what, if any, further action is necessary on the part of this Board.

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AMENDMENT OF REGULATIONS; REPORTS ON READING AND LITERATURE.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 4, 1906, stating that it is of the opinion that section 262 of the regulations, which provides that a written report shall be made annually to the Board of Supervisors by the principals, showing the amount and kind of work done in reading and literature during the school year, should be discontinued, and recommending that the regulations be amended accordingly.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 262. Strike out the first paragraph of said section.

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TEACHERS OF HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE AND ARTS AND MANUAL TRAINING IN NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 4, 1906, recommending that the teacher of household science and arts in the Normal School be instructed to give such assistance in the schools of cookery as the Superintendent may authorize; and that the teacher of manual training in the same school be instructed to give such assistance in the manual training schools as the Superintendent may authorize.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

PERIODICALS AND BOOKS FOR USE OF SUPERVISORS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 4, 1906, requesting that fifty dollars ($50) of the four thousand dollars ($4000) set apart for supplementary reading be spent on periodicals and books for the use of the Supervisors at Mason street.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That of the four thousand dollars ($4000) authorized for expenditure for supplementary reading at the meeting of Apr. 23, a sum not exceeding fifty dollars ($50) be allowed for periodicals and books for the use of the Supervisors at Mason street.

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REFERENCE LIBRARY FOR TEACHERS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be requested to consider and report as to the desirability of having a collection of pedagogical and other books available in some convenient place for consultation by teachers of the public schools and a plan for carrying the same into effect.

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TEMPORARY ASSISTANT, OFFICE OF SECRETARY.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of May 7, 1906, submitting for approval the appointment of Winifred K. Feeney as temporary assistant in his office, to date from Apr. 30, 1906, in place of another assistant now on leave of absence without pay.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of Winifred K. Feeney, temporary assistant in the office of the Secretary, be fixed at the rate of fifty dollars ($50) per month, to date from Apr. 30, 1906.

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RESIGNATIONS OF JANITORS.

Communications were received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 7, 1906, submitting the following resignations of janitors:—

Drake School-house—Matthew Gilligan, from May 7, 1906.

Laid on the table.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Secretary was instructed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the certification of eligible candidates for the position of janitor of the Drake School-house.

Howard-avenue Portable School-houses Nos. 21 and 22—Annie McDonald, from May 4, 1906.

Howard-avenue Portable School-house No. 43—Samuel T. McClennan, from May 4, 1906.

Roxbury Evening Drawing School—Henry W. Childs, from Apr. 30, 1906.

Placed on file, and the resignations accepted.

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JANITORSHIP, ABBY W. MAY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 5, 1906, transmitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Abby W. May School-house.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the transfer to said position of James H. Dickie, janitor of the Common-street School-house, to date from May 9, 1906.

CERTIFICATION OF AREAS, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 7, 1906, transmitting the certified areas of the Old Horace Mann School-house on Warrenton street, recently hired for school purposes, according to which the compensation of the janitor is to be determined.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Chairman was authorized to approve said certification, to take effect Apr. 29, 1906.

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CERTIFICATION OF AREAS, NATHANIEL HAWTHORNE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 7, 1906, transmitting the certified areas of the Nathaniel Hawthorne School-house, according to which the compensation of the janitor is to be determined.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Chairman was authorized to approve said certification, to take effect May 4, 1906.

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SWEEPING OF SCHOOL-HOUSE FLOORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 7, 1906, stating that he is of the opinion that an improvement can be made in the present method of sweeping floors and asking permission to experiment in several school buildings with a compound which he thinks will prove more efficient as a dust layer.

Placed on file, and the Custodian instructed to make a further and more complete report on the subject.

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BILL OF FRANK W. TURNER.

A bill was received from Frank W. Turner, janitor of the Roxbury Evening High School, for additional compensation for services as such during the past term.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the janitor of the Roxbury Evening High School be paid at the rate of four dollars ($4) for each evening of actual service during the term of 1905-06.

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WITHDRAWAL OF APPLICATION FOR SUPERVISORSHIP.

The following communication was received:—

Boston, May 7th, 1906.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:—

I hereby withdraw the application which I made on the first day of January, 1906, for the position of Supervisor of Schools.

Very truly yours,
Edwin P. Seaver.

Placed on file.

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GRADUATING EXERCISES, LINCOLN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from William E. Perry, Master of the Lincoln District, requesting permission to hold the graduating exercises of his school on Saturday afternoon, June 23, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Supervisor in charge with full powers.

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JUNE 18, 1906, A SCHOOL HOLIDAY.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That Monday, June 18, 1906, be declared a school holiday, and that the sessions of the public schools be suspended on that day.

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CHARGE FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the order passed by the Board at its meeting of Jan. 22, 1906, with reference to a charge for the use of accommodations in school buildings shall not apply to entertainments held in schoolhouses, the net proceeds of which are to be devoted to improving or decorating school buildings or grounds.

On motion of the same member, laid on the table.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the plan received from the Board of Supervisors at the meeting of Apr. 23, and printed in the proceedings of Apr. 30, pages 105-107, inclusive, with respect to the appointment and promotion of instructors, was taken from the table.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board proceeded to consider the aforesaid plan, section by section.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, paragraph 3 of section 120 was amended so that the final sentence shall read as follows:—No person not actually engaged in taking, conducting, or assisting at any examination—except members of the school board—shall be present thereat.

On motion of the same member, the section as printed as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brock, section 121 as printed was adopted.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, section 122 as printed was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, paragraph 2 of section 123 was amended to read as follows:—

2. The holder of a certificate shall be eligible for service as a substitute, temporary teacher, or special assistant, or for appointment on probation, or for service in evening and vacation schools, except as otherwise specified in the preceding section. (See Grammar School, Special Certificates.)

On motion of the same member, the section as printed as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brock, paragraph 1 of section 124 was amended to read as follows:—

Sect. 124. The names of those successfully passing such examinations shall be arranged in suitable, graded eligible lists in the order of their respective qualifications as ascertained by such examination.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, paragraph 2 of the same section was amended by striking out the following sentence in lines seven, eight, nine and ten:—"Not less than one-third nor more than two-thirds of the appointments as assistants in grammar and primary schools and kindergartens shall be made from these lists;" and by striking out the words "Graduates of the Boston Normal School" in the eleventh line, and substituting in place thereof the word:—They,—so that the paragraph will read as follows:—

2. Graduates of the Boston Normal School shall be arranged in suitable graded eligible lists in the order of their respective qualifications, as determined by the Board of Supervisors, and shall annually be regraded upon said lists by said Board. They may obtain positions upon other eligible lists under the conditions prescribed for other candidates.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, section 124 as printed as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, section 125 as printed was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, paragraph 2 of section 126, viz.:—

2. Certificates issued under these regulations are not renewable. Certificates issued under former regulations retain their validity for the term specified by the regulations under which they were granted, but shall not be renewed.

was amended by striking out the last five words, viz., "but shall not be renewed."

On motion of Mr. Brock, section 126 as printed as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, paragraph 1 of section 127 was amended to read as follows:—

Sect. 127. Except in cases of promotion or transfer or of appointment as principal of a school or district or as director of a special subject, no person shall, after September 1, 1906, be appointed to teach in the public schools whose name does not appear among the highest three of the names on the proper eligible list willing to accept such appointments, without regard to the dates on which the names were placed on said lists. The names of persons appointed to permanent positions in the day school service shall be removed from the eligible lists; and any person whose name appears on such lists, may, upon request, have the same removed therefrom.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, section 127 as printed as amended was adopted.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, section 128 as printed was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brock, section 129 as printed was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, paragraph 1 of section 130 was amended by substituting the word "October" for the word "December" in the second line.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that section 130 in its entirety be stricken out and not adopted.

Lost, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the affirmative.

Mr. Ellis moved that paragraph 2 of the same section be amended by adding the following words at the end thereof:—provided, that instructors who are appointed between October 1 and December 31 in any year may take the examination occurring in October of the second year thereafter.

The motion passed, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative.

Mr. Ellis moved that paragraph 4 of the same section be amended to read as follows:—

4. Instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examination shall remain on the salary of the second year of their respective schedules for another year when they shall again be examined in a similar manner. If they successfully pass the examination they shall be placed upon the third year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the date of the examination, and shall be regularly advanced on succeeding anniversaries until the sixth year salary of their respective schedules is reached. The employment of instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examinations on two successive occasions shall terminate with the first of September next following the date of the second examination.

Passed, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative.

Mr. Ellis moved the adoption of section 130 as printed as amended.

Passed, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, section 131 as printed was adopted.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, section 132 as printed was adopted.

Mr. Ellis moved that the final paragraph of section 133 be stricken out and the following substituted in place thereof:—

2. Instructors who were appointed to take effect prior to September 1, 1904, shall not be required to pass a promotional examination before being placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective ranks.

Passed, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the section as printed as amended was adopted, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative.

The Board took up section 134, viz.:—

Sect. 134. Upon the recommendation of the principal and supervisor of any school or district, the Superintendent may require any instructor now in the service or who may hereafter enter the service to take the promotional examination in May of any year. Notice of said requirement shall be sent to said instructor before October first preceding the date on which said examination is required.

2. Instructors failing to pass said examination must be again examined in the following May.

3. The employment of instructors who have been so required to take the promotional examinations and who have failed to pass said examinations on two successive occasions shall terminate with the close of the school year next following the date of the second examination.

Mr. Ellis moved that paragraph 1 of the foregoing section be amended by inserting after the word "supervisor" in the second line the words:—or of the supervisor.

Passed, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative, and stating that he was opposed to the paragraph but not to the amendment thereof.

On motion of Mr. Brock, section 134 as printed as amended was adopted, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative.

Mr. Brock moved a reconsideration of the various votes whereby the aforesaid regulations were declared adopted, which motion was assigned to the next meeting.

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ELECTION OF A SUPERVISOR; SPECIAL ASSIGNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the election of a supervisor was specially assigned to the next meeting of the Board.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 11 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

May 14, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

MILITARY DRILL, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That military drill in the West Roxbury High School be discontinued for the remainder of the school year.

PETITION FOR NEW GRAMMAR SCHOOL-HOUSE, BRIMMER DISTRICT.

Hon. James Donovan appeared and presented a petition from the parents and guardians of boys attending the Brimmer School that a new building be erected for the accommodation of their children on the ground that the present Brimmer School-house is unsafe, unsanitary and overcrowded.

Laid over for further consideration.

DISPOSAL OF WEBB SCHOOL ESTATE.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor.
May 14, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

I transmit herewith a communication received by me from the Trustees of The Boston City Hospital, saying that they wish to obtain the old Webb School-house property on Porter Street as a site for the Emergency Hospital in East Boston, and expressing the willingness of the Trustees to pay thirty cents per square foot for the land.

Under a recent Act of the Legislature (Chapter 259 of the Acts of the present year), the first step to be taken, if this offer is to be accepted, is the passage of a vote by your Committee stating that in your opinion it is advisable to sell this property. I recommend that this vote be passed, in order that the Commission authorized by the Act may be empowered to sell and convey the property to the Hospital Trustees. Yours respectfully,

John F. Fitzgerald, Mayor.

Letter, Hospital Dept., enclosed.

Accompanying the foregoing was a communication from A. Shuman, President of the Trustees of the City Hospital, addressed to the Mayor, under date of May 8, 1906.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the order passed by this Board on Mar. 19, 1906, surrendering the Webb School Estate on Porter street, East Boston, to the City Council, be and the same hereby is rescinded.

On motion of the same member it was unanimously

ORDERED, That it is advisable to sell the Webb School Estate on Porter street, East Boston, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1906.

COMMUNICATION FROM COMMON COUNCIL; OPENING OF WYMAN SCHOOLYARD AS A THOROUGHFARE.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Common Council,
May 10, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee, —through His Honor the Mayor,—be requested to cause the gates of the Wyman (Primary) School grounds on Forbes and Wyman streets, Ward 22, to be opened daily from 6 a.m. to 6:30 p.m.,—Sundays and holidays excepted,—for the purpose of affording a thoroughfare for residents of Sheridan, Forbes, Wyman and adjacent streets in going to, or returning from, the schools and factories in that district.

In Common Council, May 10, 1906.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

William J. Barrett,
President.

City of Boston,
Office of the Mayor, May 11, 1906.

Referred to the School Committee for such action as may be considered best.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for investigation and report.

COMMUNICATION FROM PARK COMMISSIONERS; VIOLATION OF PARK REGULATIONS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
Board of Commissioners of the Department of Parks,
Boston, May 9, 1906.

School Board of the City of Boston, Mason street, Boston:—

Gentlemen: The pernicious practice of picking flowers in the Parks, I am sorry to say, seems to be on the increase. In addition to the injury to the public in the loss of the flowers, the children injure the plants by trampling on them, and often afterward violate another Park regulation by offering the flowers for sale in the Park limits.

It would seem to the Board that a word from the school teachers to the children would be a great benefit. This would seem all the more desirable, because we are told that some of the teachers are not aware that the picking of flowers in the Parks is not only an injury to the public, but is forbidden by law.

Yours very truly,
Charles E. Stratton,
Chairman.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent for such action as he may deem wise.

DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of Kate A. Clare, an instructor of sewing, which occurred on May 8, 1906.

Placed on file.

The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Hancock District—Bertha V. Martin, Boston, Kindergarten, from May 1, 1906.

Lewis District—Florence J. Preston, Boston, Grammar School, Apr. 9 and 10, 1906, two days.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Schools of Cookery—Mary A. Geary, Boston, instructor, from May 10, 1906.

Instructor of Sewing—Katharine E. Flanagan, Boston, from May 8, 1906.

Placed on file.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

South Boston High School—Grace V. Lynch, assistant.

Dearborn District—Lillian A. Wiswell, first assistant, Grammar School.

Gaston District—A. Josephine Bogan, assistant, Primary School.

Hancock District—Minnie A. Prescott, principal, Kindergarten.

Henry L. Pierce District—Ethel M. Haynes, assistant, Primary School.

Lewis District—Alice D. Burke, assistant, Grammar School.

Phillips Brooks District—Frances L. O'Connell, assistant, Kindergarten.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Lowell District—Mary W. Howard, assistant, Grammar School, from May 3, until July 1, 1906; Frances M. Flanagan, Boston, substitute. Cora F. Sanborn, assistant, Grammar School, from May 13, until July 1, 1906; Elizabeth V. Mahoney, Belmont, substitute.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Blanche Burdick, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 27, until July 1, 1906; Helen M. Donohue, Boston, substitute.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of twenty minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and of one to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

The following communication was received:—

Boston Public Schools,
Superintendent's Office.
May 14, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

In accordance with your order of March 26th, 1906, requesting the Superintendent to prepare a plan of organization and course of study for the new High School of Commerce, I hereby report:—

I have consulted with Mr. Frank V. Thompson, Principal of the school, and make the following recommendations:—

Organization.

I—That the school be organized into the six departments named below:—
1—Department of English.
2—Department of History and Economics.
3—Department of Mathematics.
4—Department of Modern Languages.
5—Department of Sciences.
6—Department of Business Technique.

II—That each of these departments be in charge of a Master, who shall be head of the department and exercise general control and supervision over the department on its instructional side so that all teachers in the department shall work together towards the same end.

III—That the teaching force consist of:—
a—Masters who shall be heads of departments.
b—Junior Masters.
c—Instructors.
d—Assistant Instructors.
e—Lecturers.

IV—That the following salary schedule be adopted:—

Year. Service.	Masters.	Junior Masters.	Instructors.	Asst. Instructors.
1.....	$2,340	$1,476	$1,116	$888
2.....	2,484	1,620	1,236	1,008
3.....	2,628	1,764	1,356	1,128
4.....	2,772	1,908	1,476	1,248
5.....	2,916	2,052	1,596	
6.....	3,060	2,196	1,716	
7.....	3,204	2,340	1,836	
8.....		2,484	1,956	
9.....		2,628	2,076	

V—That teachers in rank below that of Master shall retain their original rank when they have reached the maximum salary of their respective schedules unless they are appointed in the regular manner to a higher rank.

VI—That in addition to the Head Master teachers be allowed in this school in accordance with the following table:—

No of Pupils.....	Masters.....	Junior Masters.....	Instructors..	Assistant Instructors..	Total No. of Teachers..
210	6				6
245	6	1			7
280	6	1	1		8
315	6	2	1		9
350	6	2	1	1	10
385	6	3	1	1	11
420	6	3	2	1	12
455	6	4	2	1	13
490	6	4	2	2	14
525	6	5	2	2	15
560	6	5	3	2	16
595	6	6	3	2	17
630	6	6	3	3	18
665	6	7	3	3	19
700	6	7	4	3	20
735	6	8	4	3	21
770	6	8	4	4	22
805	6	9	4	4	23
840	6	9	5	4	24
875	6	10	5	4	25
910	6	10	5	5	26
945	6	11	5	5	27
980	6	11	6	5	28

VII—That the selection of lecturers who shall be experts in mercantile lines to give lectures or conduct courses on special topics be left to the principal of the school and the superintendent, subject to the provision that the expenditure for lectures in one year shall not exceed the maximum salary of a Master. Such lecturers shall not be required to hold teachers' certificates.

This plan of organization differs from that of the English High School in the following respects:—
1—Establishment of heads of departments.
2—Junior Masters do not become masters when they reach the maximum salary of their rank.
3—Teachers of lower rank than junior masters are provided for; this provision together with a different salary schedule will reduce the cost per pupil for instruction.
4—Employment of lecturers.

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Course of Study.

It is not advisable to establish a complete course of study at this time. It is recommended that during the coming year such work in each department be offered as the principal recommends and the Board of Supervisors approves.

In order to carry this organization into effect, I recommend the passage of the accompanying orders.

Stratton D. Brooks,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

The orders referred to in the foregoing communication are as follows:—

ORDERED, That the Regulations be amended by inserting in Chapter XII. the following section:—

Section 164: The teachers in the High School of Commerce shall consist of a principal, holding the rank of head-master, six masters who shall be heads of departments, junior masters, instructors and assistant instructors. In addition to the principal and masters, there shall be one junior master for the first 245 pupils belonging and one additional junior master for every 70 pupils additional thereto; one male instructor for the first 280 pupils belonging and one additional male instructor for every 140 pupils additional thereto; one male assistant instructor for the first 350 pupils belonging and one additional male assistant instructor for every 140 pupils additional thereto. Teachers of lower rank may be substituted for those of higher rank at the discretion of the Superintendent. In case of a decreased number of pupils belonging a teacher may be removed; the teacher so removed shall be of such rank as will leave the quota of teachers in accordance with this section.

2.—The Superintendent may employ lecturers not holding certificates of qualification who shall give lectures or courses on special topics.

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ORDERED, That the salaries of the teachers in the High School of Commerce be fixed for the year ending August 31, 1907, as contained in the following schedule:—

Head Master, $3780 per annum.
Masters, first year $2340; annual increase $144; maximum $3204.
Junior Masters, first year $1476; annual increase $144; maximum $2628.
Instructors, first year $1116; annual increase $120; maximum $2076.
Assistant instructors, first year $888; annual increase $120; maximum $1248.

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ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to employ lecturers on mercantile and related topics in the High School of Commerce from September 1906 to January 1907, at an expense not exceeding $200.

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ORDERED, That the course of study in the High School of Commerce for the school year 1906-07 consist of such subjects as the Principal recommends and the Board of Supervisors approves.

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ORDERED, That in case there are fewer than 160 applicants for admission to the High School of Commerce, under the terms of the order passed April 16, 1906, requiring two years of high school work or its equivalent for admission thereto, the Superintendent be authorized to fill vacancies in such manner as he may decide from those having had less than two years of high school work.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the foregoing communication and orders was dispensed with, and they were laid on the table.

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AUDITING CLERK TO CONTRACT FOR COAL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk be authorized to advertise and contract for the usual amount of coal to be delivered to the various school buildings covering a period from July 1 to October 1, 1906.

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SALARY OF CHARLES E. TURNER.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That Charles E. Turner, truant officer, who has been sick since April 23, and who is still sick, be allowed and paid his regular salary for the months of April and May, 1906.

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COPY BOOKS, GRAMMAR SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That for the present financial year the use of copy books in the grammar schools shall be restricted to one copy for each pupil.

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TELEPHONE, SUPERINTENDENT'S RESIDENCE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be allowed, at the expense of the city, the use of a telephone at his home in Brighton.

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SALARY OF FRANK HASEY.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That Frank Hasey, truant officer, be allowed and paid his regular salary for the month of May, 1906, notwithstanding his illness during said month.

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VACATION SCHOOLS, SEASON OF 1906.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 14, 1906, stating that after consultation with the Director of Vacation Schools, he recommends the passage of the following orders.

The communication was placed on file.

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ORDERED, That the number of vacation schools established for the season of 1906 shall not exceed nine, to be held in such school buildings as the Superintendent may determine. The teachers in each vacation school shall be a principal, not more than three first assistants, and as many assistants and other employees as the Superintendent may deem necessary.

Passed.

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ORDERED, That the vacation schools be opened on July 9, 1906, and be held for four days per week for five weeks, the days of the week on which the sessions are to be held to be determined by the Director of Vacation Schools. The daily sessions shall open at 9 o'clock A.M. and be continued until 12 o'clock M.

Passed.

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ORDERED, That the course of study in vacation schools for the season of 1906 be as follows:—

Music.
Gymnastics and Games.
Cardboard Construction and Paper Work.
Sewing and Elementary Dressmaking.
Braiding, Weaving, and Basketry.
Drawing and Color Work.
Nature Study and Field Work with Excursions.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, laid on the table.

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ORDERED, That the employment in the vacation schools be limited to persons holding certificates of qualification, to pupils in regular attendance at the Boston Normal School during the preceding year, and to persons who have had at least one year's experience in the public vacation schools of Boston. Only those holding certificates of qualification shall be employed as teachers.

Passed.

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ORDERED, That the Superintendent appoint for the vacation schools, with the approval of the School Committee, lists of teachers with the rank of first assistant and assistant; and of employees to be designated as head of playground, helper

in playground, helper in sand garden, matron in building; said lists to be sufficiently large to furnish all needed help during the continuance of the vacation schools; the teachers and other employees therein to be assigned and transferred at the discretion of the Superintendent and to be paid only for days of service rendered.

Passed.

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ORDERED, That the salaries of the instructors and other employees in the vacation schools during the year 1906 be established at the following rates:—

Director	$200.00
Principals (per day)	4.00
Teachers of the rank of First Assistant (per day)	2.00
Teachers of the rank of Assistant (per day)	1.00
Heads of playgrounds (per day, one session)	1.20
Heads of playgrounds (per day, two sessions)	2.00
Helpers in playgrounds (per day, one session)	.80
Helpers in playgrounds (per day, two sessions)	1.25
Helpers in sand gardens (per day, one session)	.50
Helpers in sand gardens (per day, two sessions)	.75
Matrons in buildings (per day)	1.00

Janitors in accordance with the schedule contained in the regulations governing the use of school buildings, adopted Feb. 9, 1904.

Passed.

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On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That an additional sum of three thousand dollars ($3,000) is hereby authorized for vacation schools during the season of 1906, making the total amount to be expended therefor ten thousand dollars ($10,000).

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MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 14, 1906, transmitting the following orders, with the recommendation that they be passed.

The communication was placed on file.

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ORDERED, That the Head-Master of the Mechanic Arts High School be authorized to obtain supplies of a minor, special, and irregular character to an amount not exceeding twenty-five dollars ($25) per year, provided that no single article shall cost more than two dollars ($2), and that vouchers shall be presented with the bill for all expenditures exceeding one dollar ($1) for a single article.

Passed.

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ORDERED, That a session of the Mechanic Arts High School be held on Saturday, May 26, 1906, as a special public day, and that the school be closed on the preceding Friday, May 25, 1906.

Passed.

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EXPERIMENTAL USE OF PIANOLA IN SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 11, 1906, recommending the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That C. B. Chilton be given permission to conduct without expense to the city, a limited number of experiments in the study of musical appreciation by the use of a pianola, in schools to be designated by the Superintendent, such experiments to be in charge of the Committee on Music of the Board of Supervisors now investigating the subject of music in the schools.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

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HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 14, 1906, stating that it has considered an order from the School Committee, dated Jan. 1, 1906, regarding that portion of the Mayor's inaugural address relating to a commercial high school, and reporting that as the matter has already received attention, no further action by the Board of Supervisors is necessary.

Placed on file.

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SWEEPING OF SCHOOL-HOUSE FLOORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 14, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at its last meeting, containing a further report relative to a dust laying compound with which he desires to experiment in connection with the sweeping of floors in school buildings, and enclosing therewith reports from two janitors on the value of the compound recommended by him.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis the Custodian was instructed to furnish a statement of the expense of carrying his recommendation into effect as compared with present methods of sweeping floors.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 11, 1906, containing a report of the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from May 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 12, 1906, reporting that the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Common-street School-house is John J. Norton, now janitor of the Pierpont School-house.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the transfer of the aforesaid candidate was approved, to date from May 16, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, PIERPONT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Secretary was authorized to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of eligible candidates to fill the vacancy in the Pierpont School-house caused by the transfer of the present janitor.

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JANITORSHIP, DRAKE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Secretary, who was instructed at the last meeting to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the certification of eligible candidates for the position of janitor of the Drake School-house, reported that Margaret M. Gilligan and Mary E. Baldwin had been thus certified.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the resignation of Matthew Gilligan as janitor of the Drake School-house was taken from the table and accepted, to take effect May 31, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board approved the appointment of Margaret M. Gilligan to fill the aforesaid vacancy, to date from June 1, 1906.

MASSACHUSETTS HISTORICAL SOCIETY; LIST OF NAMES FOR SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from Samuel A. Green and Henry W. Haynes, a committee appointed by the Massachusetts Historical Society, in response to the invitation extended by the School Committee to that Society to submit appropriate names for schools, containing the following list:—

William Blackstone.
William Bradford.
Anne Bradstreet.
William C. Bryant.
(Bishop) Cheverus.
John Cotton.
Stephen Decatur.
John Endicott.
Peter Faneuil.
Robert Fulton.
Nathan Hale.
Lady Arbella Johnson.
Samuel F. B. Morse.
Wendell Phillips.
Roger Williams.

Placed on file for future consideration as occasion arises, and the Secretary directed to extend the thanks of this Board to the Massachusetts Historical Society for their interest in the matter.

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DUDLEY SCHOOL CADETS IN ANNUAL PARADE.

A commuication was received from Edward F. O'Dowd, under date of May 14, 1906, requesting that the Dudley School Cadets be permitted to enter one company in the annual parade of the Boston School Cadets, to be held on Friday, May 25, 1906, similar permission having been granted last year.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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APPOINTMENT OF A PRINCIPAL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the appointment of Benjamin J. Hinds of Stoneham, as principal of the Washington District, with the rank of master, to date from May 14, 1906, reported at the previous meeting, was taken from the table.

The aforesaid appointment was approved by the following vote, to date from May 21, 1906.

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

Nays—0.

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OPINION OF CORPORATION COUNSEL, PAYMENT OF LEGAL EXPENSES INCURRED BY CHARLES M. CLAY AND GEORGE C. MANN.

The following communication was received:

City of Boston, Law Department,
73 Tremont street, Boston.
May 12, 1906.

The School Committee of the City of Boston.

Gentlemen: Yours of April 17 in regard to an application of Messrs. Charles M. Clay and George C. Mann for reimbursement of expenses incurred by them in defending claims brought against them in connection with the selection of a class photographer was received and would have been answered before but for my many pressing engagements before the Legislature.

Cities and towns can vote to reimburse their officers or agents for moneys paid out for the defense of suits brought against them while in the performance of their official duties. The powers of school committees of cities and towns generally are more limited than the powers of town meetings and of city councils. Chapter 400 of the Acts of the year 1898, however, which was re-enacted with some changes in chapter 170 of the Acts of 1903, provides that the Boston School committee may make such appropriations as it deems necessary, and its votes making appropriations have the same force and effect as orders of the city council.

In my opinion, therefore, your board has the power to pass an order making the reimbursement in question.

In these particular cases, the amount appropriated being for the purpose of paying lawyers' bills contracted by the petitioners, some care ought to be taken that it may not establish a dangerous precedent. Under the ordinance the school committee could have called upon this department to have taken up the defense of these suits. A petitioner ought to show to the satisfaction of your board that there existed an absolute necessity for the employment of private counsel and some good reason why he did not obtain a vote of the school committee requesting this department to appear.

Yours respectfully,
Thomas M. Babson,
Corporation Counsel.

Placed on file.

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KEYS TO ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Two communications, under date of May 12, 1906, were received from Charles M. Clay, Head-Master of the Roxbury High School, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Apr. 23, requesting an explanation why the regulation limiting the number of keys to school buildings had been violated with respect to this school.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table, and the Secretary directed to furnish each member of the Board with copies thereof.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

The Board took up Mr. Brock's motion to reconsider various votes, passed at the last meeting, whereby certain regulations affecting the appointment and promotion of instructors were declared adopted, which motion was assigned to this meeting.

The motion to reconsider passed.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board proceeded to consider the aforesaid regulations section by section, and acted thereon as follows:

Section 120. Adopted as printed, and as amended at the last meeting.

Section 121. Adopted as printed.

Section 122. Adopted as printed.

Section 123. Adopted as printed, and as amended at the last meeting.

Section 124. Adopted as printed, and as amended at the last meeting.

Section 125. Adopted as printed.

Section 126. On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, paragraph 2 of said section was amended to read as follows, viz.

2. Certificates issued under these regulations are not renewable. No certificate, the holder of which has been out of the service of the city for a term of two years, shall be valid unless renewed by the Board of Supervisors after careful investigation. Teachers' certificates issued under former regulations retain their validity and if they expire may be renewed. Pending reappointment to the service the holder of such certificate shall be eligible for service as substitute or temporary teacher in day schools and for service in evening and vacation schools.

The section was then adopted as printed, and as amended.

Section 127. Adopted as printed, and as amended at the last meeting.

Section 128. Adopted as printed.

Section 129. Adopted as printed.

Section 130. Adopted as printed, and as amended at the last meeting, Messrs. Thomas J. Kenny and William S. Kenny voting in the negative.

Section 131. On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, amended by the addition of the following as a fourth paragraph to said section:—

4. Instructors who have successfully passed the two prescribed promotional examinations shall not be required to pass additional promotional examinations because of a change of rank. Instructors who, on entering the service, are placed on an advanced salary, or who are promoted before passing both examinations shall successfully pass the two prescribed promotional examinations before receiving the maximum salary of their respective schedules.

Adopted as printed, and as amended.

Section 132. Mr. Ellis offered the following to be inserted as a new section and to be numbered Section 132:—

Section 132. Instructors now in the regular day school service shall, if they pass the first required promotional examination as soon as they are eligible to take the same, be regularly advanced to the third, fourth, fifth, and sixth year salaries of their respective schedules on their respective anniversaries, and shall, if they pass the second promotional examination as soon as they are eligible to take the same be regularly advanced to the seventh, eighth, and subsequent salaries of their respective schedules on their respective anniversaries.

Adopted.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, Section 132, as printed was renumbered Section 133. The section as renumbered was adopted.

On motion of Mr. Brock, Section 133 as printed was renumbered Section 134.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following as an amendment of the second paragraph of the aforesaid section as previously amended at the last meeting:—

2. Instructors appointed to begin service on probation prior to Sept. 1, 1906, shall be exempt from the provisions of Sections 129, 130, 131, 132 and 133 inclusive.

Mr. Kenny's amendment was adopted, Messrs. Brock and Ellis voting in the negative.

Section 134 as renumbered and as amended was adopted, Messrs. Brock and Ellis voting in the negative.

Section 134. On motion of Mr. Brock, Section 134 as printed was renumbered Section 135. The section as renumbered as printed, and as amended at the last meeting was adopted, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the negative.

On motion of Mr. Brock, new Section 132 as introduced and adopted at this meeting was stricken out.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, Section 133 was renumbered 132, and on motion of Mr. Brock the following sections as printed on page 107 were renumbered as originally printed.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following as a new section to be numbered Section 135:—

Section 135. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the teaching force, or the appointment of an additional teacher is required, the principal of the school or district, or the director, concerned shall notify the Superintendent and furnish such statistical information as the Superintendent may require. The sole and undivided responsibility with respect to the selection and appointment of all teachers shall, subject to the approval of the Board, rest upon the Superintendent.

Adopted.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following as a new section to be numbered Section 136:—

Section 136. The Superintendent shall prepare and have ready at all times an eligible list of substitutes and special assistant teachers made up from the graduates of the Boston Normal School to be known as the emergency list, arranged in the order of their respective qualifications as determined by the Board of Supervisors. All appointments as substitutes and special assistant teachers shall be made from this list in the same manner as provided in Section 127 of the Regulations, excepting that whenever in the judgment of the Superintendent the good of the service requires a substitute teacher may be appointed from one of the other eligible lists.

Referred to the Board of Supervisors for consideration and report at the next meeting.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Secretary was directed to print chapter XI. of the regulations in full as adopted in the minutes.

Chapter XI.

Examination, Appointment and Promotion of Instructors.

Section 120. Two examinations shall be held in each school year of candidates for appointment as teachers in the public schools; the first in January and the second in April, under the direction of the Board of Supervisors, which Board shall determine for what grade or grades of certificates each such examination shall be held. Other examinations may be held whenever in the opinion of the Superintendent the needs of the schools seem to demand the same. Notice of such examinations shall be given by advertisement in at least four daily newspapers published in the City of Boston.

2. The Board of Supervisors shall prepare and distribute information with regard to the time of holding, character, and scope of such examinations, and the weight given to each subject included therein.

3. These examinations shall be conducted by the Board of Supervisors, with the assistance of such directors, principals, or other persons as the Board of Supervisors may deem necessary. No person not actually engaged in taking, conducting, or assisting at any examination—except members of the school board—shall be present thereat.

4. The examinations given as aforesaid shall be designed to test the training, knowledge, aptness for teaching, and character of the candidates.

5. The marking of each paper shall be made on a scale and in accordance with a plan to be determined by the Board of Supervisors.

Sect. 121. The Board of Supervisors shall grant certificates of qualification to persons successfully passing examinations as aforesaid, as follows:

2. High School, Head-Master's: To Head-Masters of Normal Schools and of Day and Evening High Schools.

3. High School: To Masters, junior masters, assistant principals, and assistants of Normal Schools and of Day and Evening High Schools.

4. Grammar School, Master's: To Masters of Grammar Schools and principals of Evening High and Elementary Schools. A Grammar School, Class A certificate issued prior to November 29, 1901, shall be held as equivalent to the Grammar School Master's certificate.

5. Grammar School, Class A: To submasters and first assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and assistants of Evening High Schools.

6 Grammar School, Special: To assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and of Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools, and to substitutes for submasters and for first assistants of Grammar Schools, and for assistants in Day High Schools.

7. Grammar School, Class B: To assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and of Evening Elementary Schools.

8. Kindergarten: To Instructors of kindergartens.

9. Special: To Instructors in special studies and of special schools.
10. Limited: To Instructors in industrial subjects in Educational Centres.
11. Interpreters: To Instructors in interpreting languages in Evening Elementary Schools and in Educational Centres.

Sect. 122. All candidates for certificates of qualification must present satisfactory evidence of possessing good character, health, and scholarship, and in addition thereto shall furnish the following:—

2. For the High School, Head-Master's Certificate: A diploma from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors or from an institution of as high a grade; evidence of five years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools; evidence of good administrative ability.
3. For the High School Certificate: A diploma from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors, or from an Institution of as high a grade; evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.
4. For the Grammar School, Master's Certificate: Evidence of five years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools; evidence of good administrative ability.
5. For the Grammar School Certificate, Class A: Evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.
6. For the Grammar School Certificate, Special: Graduation from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors, and graduation from the Boston Normal School.
7. For the Grammar School Certificate, Class B: Evidence of two years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.
8. For the Kindergarten Certificate: Evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching a regular kindergarten subsequent to graduation from a kindergarten training school approved by the Board of Supervisors.
9. For special certificates: Evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools of such grade or grades as the Board of Supervisors may determine.
10. For Limited Certificates: Evidence of three years' successful experience in the practical pursuit of the industry the candidate is to teach. These certificates shall expire the first day of September following the date of issue.
11. Interpreters' Certificates: A thorough knowledge of the English Language, and of such other language or languages as the candidate is to interpret. These certificates shall expire the first day of September, following the date of issue.
12. A satisfactory certificate in pedagogy or a diploma from the Boston Normal School or from a State Normal School in Massachusetts is accepted as equivalent to one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools.

Sect. 123. Certificates of qualification shall be signed by the Superintendent and at least a majority of the Supervisors, and no certificate shall be signed in blank.

2. The holder of a certificate shall be eligible for service as a substitute, temporary teacher, or special assistant, or for appointment on probation, or for service in evening and vacation schools, except as otherwise specified in the preceding section. (See Grammar School, Special Certificates.)

3. The High School, Head-Master's Certificate includes all the regular certificates. The High School Certificate and the Grammar School Master's Certificate include the Grammar School Certificates, Class A and B. The Grammar School Certificate, Class A, includes the Grammar School Certificate, Class B. None of these certificates include the kindergarten certificate or certificates for special instructors, or limited, or interpreters' certificates.

Sect. 124. The names of those successfully passing such examinations shall be arranged in suitable, graded eligible lists in the order of their respective qualifications as ascertained by such examination.

2. Graduates of the Boston Normal School shall be arranged in suitable graded eligible lists in the order of their respective qualifications, as determined by the Board of Supervisors, and shall annually be regraded upon said lists by said Board. They may obtain positions upon other eligible lists under the conditions prescribed for other candidates.

Sect. 125. The names of persons holding certificates which include certificates of lower grades may, upon request, be included in the eligible list of such lower grade or grades according to the marking of such holders of certificates in their respective examinations, but they shall not be entitled to a higher standing on such lower list or lists by reason of their holding higher grade certificates.

Sect. 126. All certificates cease to be valid when the names of the holders thereof are removed from the eligible lists; except that certificates under which appointments are made to permanent positions in the day school service shall remain valid during the term of such service and for the two years after the holders thereof have ceased to be in the service.

2. Certificates issued under these regulations are not renewable. No certificate, the holder of which has been out of the service of the city for a term of two years, shall be valid unless renewed by the Board of Supervisors after careful investigation. Teachers' certificates issued under former regulations retain their validity and if they expire may be renewed. Pending reappointment to the service the holder of such certificate shall be eligible for service as substitute or temporary teacher in day schools and for service in the evening and vacation schools.

3. Any certificate may be revoked by the Board of Supervisors, if in its opinion the good of the service so demands.

Sect. 127. Except in cases of promotion or transfer or of appointment as principal of a school or district or as director of a special subject, no person shall, after September 1, 1906, be appointed to teach in the public schools whose name does not appear among the highest three of the names on the proper eligible list willing to accept such appointments, without regard to the dates on which the names were placed on said lists. The names of persons appointed to permanent positions in the day school service shall be removed from the eligible lists; and any person whose name appears on such lists, may, upon request, have the same removed therefrom.

2. The names of persons appointed to positions in evening schools or as substitutes, temporary teachers, or special assistants in day schools shall not be removed from their respective eligible lists because of such appointment.

3. Promotions of instructors in the service shall be made in the order of merit as determined by quality and character of service.

Sect. 128. The name of any person appearing on any eligible list who has failed of selection on five separate occasions when another person on said list has been selected and appointed, may be dropped from said list by action of the Board of Supervisors, and shall not be restored thereto except by another examination. The name of any person that has been on any eligible list six years shall be removed therefrom, and may be restored thereto only by examination. Any person taking more than one examination of the same class shall be rated in the eligible list of that class solely on the results of the latest examination.

Sect. 129. All instructors, excepting principals and directors, holding permanent positions in the day school service, whose compensation is on a sliding scale with a fixed increase for each successive year of service, shall be paid at the rate established for the first year of service, until the first of January or the first of September next following the first anniversary of the beginning of their service. The advance to the second year of the salary schedule and all subsequent advances, if any, shall be made upon the first of January or the first of September respectively.

Sect. 130. Two promotional examinations shall be held each year, one in October and one in May, for the purpose of determining the efficiency of the instructors in the service. These examinations shall consist of three parts: (1) Success in the school during the preceding year; (2) Professional study; and (3) Academic study in some one line.

2. All instructors, excepting principals and directors, whose compensation is on a sliding scale with a fixed increase for each successive year of service, must take the promotional examination next following the second anniversary of the date on which they began service, provided, that instructors who are appointed between October 1 and December 31 in any year may take the examination occurring in October of the second year thereafter.

3. Instructors successfully passing the aforesaid examination shall be placed upon the third year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the date of the examination.

4. Instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examination shall remain on the salary of the second year of their respective schedules for another year when they shall again be examined in a similar manner. If they successfully pass the examination they shall be placed upon the third year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the date of the examination, and shall be regularly advanced on succeeding anniversaries until the sixth year salary of their respective schedules is reached. The employment of instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examinations on two successive occasions shall terminate with the first of September next following the date of the second examination.

Sect. 131. All instructors who are receiving the sixth year salary of their respective schedules shall be examined by the Board of Supervisors before being placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective schedules. This examination shall consist of three parts: (1) Success in the school during the preceding year; (2) Professional study; and (3) Academic study in some one line.

2. Instructors successfully passing the aforesaid examination shall be placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the completion of the year during which they have received the salary established for the sixth year of service of their respective ranks, and shall be regularly advanced on succeeding anniversaries until the maximum salary of their rank or grade is reached.

3. Instructors who fail to pass the aforesaid examination or who do not wish to be thus examined shall remain on the sixth year salary of their respective schedules until such time as they shall have successfully passed such examination; when they shall be placed upon the seventh year salary of their respective schedules on the first of January or the first of September next following the date of the examination, and shall be regularly advanced on succeeding anniversaries until the maximum salary of their rank or grade is reached.

4. Instructors who have successfully passed the two prescribed promotional examinations shall not be required to pass additional promotional examinations because of a change of rank. Instructors who, on entering the service, are placed on an advanced salary, or who are promoted before passing both examinations shall successfully pass the two prescribed promotional examinations before receiving the maximum salary of their respective schedules.

Sect. 132. The Board of Supervisors shall determine the method of estimating an instructor's success in the school and shall determine the course of professional study. It shall prepare a list of academic subjects from which the instructor may select the one in which he prefers to be examined.

2. The Board of Supervisors shall prepare and distribute information with regard to the time of holding, the character and scope of such examinations, and the relative weight given to each part included therein.

3. The Board of Supervisors shall issue to each person passing the aforesaid examinations a certificate to that effect.

4. The Board of Supervisors shall certify to the Auditing Clerk the names of instructors who have successfully passed the aforesaid examinations and the date thereof.

Sect. 133. Instructors who intend to take the aforesaid examinations shall give written notice to the Secretary of the Board of Supervisors of such intention together with the academic subject selected for the test, at least two months before the time appointed for the holding of such examinations.

2. Instructors appointed to begin service on probation prior to Sept. 1, 1906, shall be exempt from the provisions of Sections 129, 130, 131, 132 and 133.

Sect. 134. Upon the recommendation of the principal and supervisor or of the supervisor of any school or district, the Superintendent may require any instructor now in the service or who may hereafter enter the service to take the promotional examination in May of any year. Notice of said requirement shall be sent to said instructor before October first preceding the date on which said examination is required.

2. Instructors failing to pass said examination must be again examined in the following May.

3. The employment of instructors who have been so required to take the promotional examinations and who have failed to pass said examinations on two successive occasions shall terminate with the close of the school year next following the date of the second examination.

Sect. 135. Whenever a vacancy occurs in the teaching force, or the appointment of an additional teacher is required, the principal of the school or district, or the director, concerned shall notify the Superintendent and furnish such statistical information as the Superintendent may require. The sole and undivided responsibility with respect to the selection and appointment of all teachers shall, subject to the approval of the Board, rest upon the Superintendent.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 11 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

May 21, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Board of Aldermen, May 17, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested to inform this board as to the date when they expect to open the High School of Commerce.

Passed.

A true copy.

Attest:

John T. Priest,
Asst. City Clerk.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent for attention.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:—

Eliot District—Benjamin J. Hinds, sub-master, May 21, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointment and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Eliot District—James A. Crowley, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from May 21, 1906.

Placed on file.

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CONFIRMATIONS.

Comins District—Lucy A. Mackenzie, assistant, Grammar School; Florence G. McCarthy, assistant, Kindergarten.

Henry L. Pierce District—Edith A. Savage, assistant, Grammar School.

Winthrop District—May A. Brown, assistant, Primary School.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Dorchester High School—Mary A. Leavens, assistant, from Apr. 30, until July 1, 1906; Helen T. Chickering, Milton, substitute.

Bennett District—Jennie L. Worth, assistant, Primary School, from May 4, until July 1, 1906; Sarah F. Woodworth, Boston, substitute.

Longfellow District—Adalyn P. Henderson, assistant, Grammar School, from Apr. 16, until June 1, 1906; Alice E. MacKusick, Boston, substitute.

Warren District—Cora A. Wiley, assistant, Primary School, from May 21, until July 1, 1906.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-six minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of five to be licensed to black boots, and of two to be licensed to act as pedlers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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TERM OF EVENING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 16, 1906, in response to the order passed Apr. 23, requesting him to consider and report upon the advisability of amending section 311 of the regulations, relating to the term of the evening schools, recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended by striking out section 311 and substituting therefor the following:—

Section 311: The Evening Schools shall begin on the second Monday in October and continue in session twenty-two school weeks, there being no sessions from the second Friday preceding Christmas Day until the Monday following the first school day in January. The sessions of the Evening Schools shall be begun not earlier than seven o'clock P.M. nor later than half past seven o'clock P. M., and they shall close not later than half past nine o'clock P.M. on not less than three nor more than five evenings in the week from Monday to Friday inclusive as determined by the Superintendent, the evenings of legal holidays excepted. The school-rooms shall be open and teachers shall be present fifteen minutes before the time for the sessions to begin.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

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SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS IN VICINITY OF ST. MARY'S STREET.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 21, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Apr. 23, requesting him to consider and report upon the advisability of placing a portable building in the vicinity of St. Mary's street for the accommodation of primary children residing in that locality, stating that the cost of placing and maintaining such building for the first year would be approximately fifteen hundred dollars ($1500), and the cost per year thereafter would be approximately one thousand dollars ($1000), also that the cost of tuition of primary children in that vicinity is approximately eight hundred dollars ($800) per year, and therefore it would be better to continue to pay for the tuition of such children in the Brookline schools; further that the tuition of a number of grammar children in that vicinity and in the Aberdeen District of Brighton attending Brookline schools is being paid by the city, which children reside no farther from grammar schools in the city of Boston than many other children for whom tuition is not paid; and also recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That after Sept. 1, 1906, tuition in the Brookline schools will be paid only for children of the first three grades residing in the westerly portion of the Prince District.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed unanimously.

TEACHING EXPERIENCE OF MARY M. MURPHY.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 15, 1906, with reference to the teaching experience of Mary M. Murphy, candidate for a certificate of qualification, referred at the meeting of Jan. 29, and stating that action thereon has been deferred for the present.

Placed on file.

THE NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 15, 1906, reporting that it has had under consideration that part of the Mayor's inaugural address, concerning the Normal School, referred at the meeting of Jan. 1, and stating that inasmuch as the construction of a new Normal School-house has already been begun, further consideration of the matter seems unnecessary.

Placed on file.

RENTS — SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 15, 1906, stating that it has completed its investigation of the question of reducing rentals of hired school accommodations, and finds that no further reductions in rentals seem desirable at this time, and that the matter will receive renewed attention should occasion arise.

Placed on file.

SWEEPING OF SCHOOL-HOUSE FLOORS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 21, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at its last meeting, instructing him to furnish a statement of the expense of carrying his recommendations with regard to experimenting with a new sweeping compound in various school-houses into effect.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Custodian was authorized to experiment with the suggested compound in five different school buildings for a period not exceeding three months.

OPENING OF WYMAN SCHOOLYARD AS A THOROUGHFARE.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 21, 1906, upon the communication received from the Common Council at the last meeting, requesting that the gates of the Wyman School grounds on Forbes and Wyman streets, Ward 22, be opened daily from 6 A.M. to 6:30 P.M., Sundays and holidays excepted, for the purpose of affording a thoroughfare for residents of Sheridan, Forbes, Wyman and adjacent streets, in going to or returning from the schools and factories in that district, stating various objections to such opening of the yard in question.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Common Council be respectfully informed, through His Honor the Mayor, that this Board deems it inexpedient to open the grounds of the Wyman School as requested in the order of the Council of May 10, 1906.

SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 21, 1906, reporting the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from May 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

JANITORSHIP, PIERPONT SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Secretary, who was instructed at the last meeting to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the certification of eligible candidates for the position of janitor of the Pierpont School-house, reported that Carl I. Priest, Louis N. Marison, and John D. Devine had been thus certified. Messrs. Priest and Marison appeared before the Committee and the former stated that he desired to withdraw in favor of Mr. Marison.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the appointment of Louis N. Marison to fill the aforesaid vacancy, to date from May 23, 1906.

ASSISTANT PRINCIPAL, MANUAL TRAINING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from Frank M. Leavitt, Principal of Manual Training Schools, under date of May 18, 1906, relative to the organization and work of the Manual Training Department, and requesting that the Board consider the advisability of establishing the position of assistant principal of manual training at an adequate salary.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent and Board of Supervisors for consideration and report, to be made early in June.

USE OF HALL, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Secretary submitted a communication received by him from George C. Mann, Head-Master of the West Roxbury High School, under date of May 19, 1906, for the abatement of the usual city charge for the use of the West Roxbury High School hall for a concert by the School Glee Club on June 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONAL VACATION SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That one vacation school in addition to those already authorized be opened during the summer of 1906, making ten in all.

OUTLINES OF LESSONS IN DRAWING.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That printed outlines of lessons in drawing for grammar and primary schools, prepared by the Director of Drawing and approved by the Superintendent, and to be issued in two-month parts during the school year 1906-07, are hereby authorized by this Board.

BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors report on the advisability of establishing a Board of Examiners.

COURSE OF STUDY, VACATION SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the following order was taken from the table and passed:—

ORDERED, That the course of study in vacation schools for the season of 1906 be as follows:—

Music.

Gymnastics and Games.

Cardboard Construction and Paper Work.
Sewing and Elementary Dressmaking.
Braiding, Weaving and Basketry.
Drawing and Color Work.
Nature Study and Field Work with Excursions.

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DISCONTINUANCE OF SEPARATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

Mr. Brock presented the following petition:—

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:—

The undersigned, members of the teaching force in "Boys' Schools," respectfully request you to consider the advisability of doing away with separate schools for boys and girls in Boston.

We believe that separate schools are unfair to both boys and girls.

We believe that separate schools make discipline more difficult and tend to increase corporal punishment.

We believe that separate schools are unjust to the teachers both as to discipline and the amount of work required.

We believe that our work is unjustly compared with the work of teachers of even grade in girls' and mixed schools.

We believe that the mixing of one or two districts could be undertaken each year without great expense to the city.

We request that you grant a committee of our number a hearing on this matter.

Amos M. Leonard,
and one hundred nine others.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid over to the next meeting of the Board, and the Secretary directed to inform the petitioners that they will then be given a hearing thereon.

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PAYMENT TO CHARLES M. CLAY AND GEORGE C. MANN.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, various communications relative to the legal expenses incurred by Charles M. Clay, Head-Master of the Roxbury High School, and George C. Mann, Head-Master of the West Roxbury High School, because of legal proceedings instituted against them by J. E. Purdy & Co., in connection with the selection of class photographers, were taken from the table, and placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That there be allowed and paid to Charles M. Clay the sum of one hundred sixty-five dollars ($165), said amount being the actual counsel fees and expense which he incurred in connection with legal proceedings instituted against him by J. E. Purdy & Co.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That there be allowed and paid to George C. Mann the sum of seventy-five dollars ($75), said amount being the actual counsel fees which he incurred in connection with legal proceedings instituted against him by J. E. Purdy & Co.

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KEYS TO ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That Charles M. Clay, Head-Master of the Roxbury High School, be requested to appear at the next meeting of the Board with reference to the violation of the regulation limiting the number of keys to school buildings in connection with his school.

HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication from the Superintendent, received at the last meeting of the Board, and five orders appended thereto, relating to the High School of Commerce (See Proceedings, pages 114, 115), were taken from the table.

The communication was placed on file.

On motion of the same member, the first of the appended orders amending section 164 of the regulations passed.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the second order, establishing the salaries of teachers in the High School of Commerce for the year ending Aug. 31, 1907, passed.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the three remaining orders, authorizing the employment of lecturers; relating to the course of study; and regulating the admission of pupils, were collectively passed.

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BACKWARD PUPILS ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to consider and report on the best method of eliminating backward pupils from the high schools.

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DUPLICATION OF COURSES, LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to consider and report on the feasibility of a better definition of the work of the Latin and high schools in order that unnecessary duplication of courses may be avoided.

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ANNUAL PARADE, BOSTON SCHOOL CADETS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Instructor of Military Drill be authorized to select and engage two bands of twenty-five men each and two bands of thirty-three men each for the annual parade of the Boston School Cadets on Friday, May 25, 1906.

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On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That J. A. Hendrie Bros. & Co. be employed to furnish the requisite number of rations for the annual parade of the Boston School Cadets at a cost of seventeen cents ($0.17) per ration.

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MILITARY DRILL, CHARLESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That military drill in the Charlestown High School be discontinued for the remainder of the school year.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:31 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

May 28, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Brock.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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DISCONTINUANCE OF SEPARATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

The Board proceeded to grant a hearing on the petition received at the previous meeting for the discontinuance of separate elementary schools for boys and girls and the establishment in place thereof of mixed schools.

Amos M. Leonard opened the case for the petitioners, and introduced successively Mary N. Regan, Antoinette M. Getchell, Annie G. Scollard, Lincoln Owen, E. Emmons Grover, Francis A. Morse, and Frank L. Keith, each of whom addressed the Committee in favor of the petition.

Alderman Linehan appeared in remonstrance and filed the following petition:—

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To the School Committee of the City of Boston:—

We, the undersigned, parents and friends of children attending school in the Norcross District, respectfully petition your Honorable Board that the Norcross School be continued as a separate school for girls.

Frank J. Linehan,

and seven thousand seven hundred fifty-nine others.

Alderman Linehan spoke in opposition to the proposed change, and introduced John E. L. Monaghan and Rev. Albert B. Shields, who also appeared as remonstrants. Opportunity was also afforded others present and interested to address the Committee on the subject, after which the hearing was declared closed.

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INSCRIPTIONS FOR NORMAL AND LATIN SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of May 22, 1906, transmitting for approval a communication from the architects of the Normal and Latin School group of buildings, containing sketches and recommendations of inscriptions for the exterior of these buildings.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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The following appointments by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Adams District—Caroline G. Chard, Chelsea, assistant, Primary School, from June 11, 1906.

Eliot District—Marie V. O'Regan, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from June 19, 1906.

Emerson District—Anna A. Aronie, Boston, assistant, Primary School, from June 11, 1906.

Hancock District—Ethel S. Murkland, Lynn, assistant, Kindergarten, from June 7, 1906.

Jefferson District—Hugh J. McElaney, Boston, assistant, Grammar School, from June 11, 1906.

Approved.

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SUBSTITUTE.

On the report of the Superintendent, the employment of the following-named substitute was approved by the Board:—

Warren District—Josephine P. Poole, Boston, substitute for Cora A. Wiley, assistant, Primary School, granted leave of absence.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers, he having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.

Approved.

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COURSE OF STUDY, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

The following communication was received:—

Boston Public Schools,
Superintendent's Office,
Mason street, May 28, 1906.

To the School Committee:—

After conference with the Board of Supervisors and the Principals of the Evening High Schools, it seems evident that the changes specified below would be beneficial to these schools:—

1. Definite directions should be issued to the principals for the purpose of establishing a uniform method of counting attendance.
2. Records of points won by each pupil should be kept in the school he attends and suitable cards for these reports should be provided.
3. Candidates for diplomas should be reported to the Board of Supervisors on suitable blanks.
4. Special instructors of music and physical training should be appointed and the pupils enrolled in these classes should not be counted in the number necessary to authorize the employment of regular instructors.
5. The regulations should be so amended as to avoid the discontinuance of classes when there are still a number of earnest pupils wishing to continue the subject.
6. The course of study should be amended to the end that the number of pupils taking regular and progressive courses shall be increased and a greater number of pupils be encouraged to receive diplomas.

I, therefore, submit a revised course of study for Evening High Schools and recommend the passage of the accompanying orders.

Stratton D. Brooks,
Superintendent of Public Schools.

Placed on file.

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The orders referred to in the foregoing communication are as follows:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended by striking out section 155 and substituting therefor the following:—

SECTION 155: Besides the principal, each evening high school shall be allowed one assistant for every twenty-five pupils, and an additional teacher for an excess of twenty pupils and such assistants to teach physical training and music as the Board shall authorize; provided, however, that such special teachers shall not be included in the complement of teachers to which any school may be entitled under the regulations, nor shall the pupils enrolled in such special classes be counted in making up the number of pupils necessary to authorize the employment of any teacher. Assistants shall be dismissed at the close of any month in which the average attendance shall have fallen below the number authorizing their employment; provided, however, that if there shall be but one class in any subject, that class shall be continued until the close of the term or until the number of pupils in attendance shall fall below ten.

Besides the principal, each evening elementary school shall be allowed one assistant for every twenty pupils, and an additional teacher for an excess of fifteen pupils. In schools of less than seventy-five pupils the principal shall be included in the complement of teachers as hereinbefore specified. In schools of one hundred pupils or more one male first assistant may be appointed. Assistants shall be dismissed at the close of any month in which the average attendance shall have fallen below the number authorizing their employment.

No principal or female teacher of a public day school in Boston shall be employed in the evening schools; provided, however, that any female teacher employed in an evening school who is appointed to a permanent position in a day school, may, in the discretion of the Superintendent, continue such evening service until the close of the term for which she has been appointed, but no longer.

The employment of men day school teachers in evening schools, except as principals thereof, shall not exceed three years in any period of five years; provided, however, that this limitation shall not apply to evening school service rendered previous to Sept. 1, 1904.

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ORDERED, That the Course of Study for Evening High Schools, submitted by the Superintendent, is hereby adopted and all conflicting orders or adoptions are hereby revoked.

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ORDERED, That two thousand (2000) copies of the Course of Study of the Evening High Schools be printed.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the three orders immediately preceding were laid on the table.

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REDUCED NUMBERS IN KINDERGARTEN CLASSES.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of May 28, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at its meeting of Jan. 18, requesting information as to the best method of dealing with kindergarten classes when much reduced in numbers, stating that after consultation with the Director of Kindergartens and the Board of Supervisors, he is of the opinion that provision looking toward the economical administration of kindergartens should be made as follows:—

1. The number of assistants appointed on probation should be below that authorized by the highest attendance.
2. When there is an increase of pupils, a special assistant should be appointed in place of a regular assistant and retained until such time as this increase shall have been found to be permanent.
3. In cases where there are two kindergartens in the same building, but one principal should be appointed.
4. The appointment of maids should be materially reduced. It is, however, not advisable to discontinue them entirely; their appointment should be left discretionary with the Superintendent.
5. Greater ease in transferring assistants from one kindergarten to another should be provided. For that purpose and on account of the desirability of other cases of transfer, it is recommended that when the rules are adopted, the following paragraph be included:—

The Superintendent may transfer principals and other instructors whenever in his opinion the good of the service requires, provided the transfer shall be to a position of the same rank and salary. Such transfers shall be reported to the Board at its next regular meeting.

Placed on file.

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REFERENCE LIBRARY FOR TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 28, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at its meeting of May 7, with reference to the establishment of a reference library for the use of teachers, in part as follows:—

The Board considers that it is advisable to establish a reference library in the Mason-street building for the use of teachers, and suggests that the library contain some books on pedagogy, psychology, child study, etc.; that it also contain books sent by publishers for examination, in those cases where the Supervisor desires to get the opinion of teachers.

The Board further suggests that the library be placed in the private offices of the Board of Supervisors, and that it be open to teachers on Saturdays.

If publishers would send to this library the high school publications, and the high school teachers could examine the books here, it would free the teachers from the annoyance of book agents, it would free the publishers from expensive distribution of books, it would secure for the books a more careful and just estimate, and give the Supervisors valuable information which would help them in deciding on books for the authorized list.

The Board of Supervisors therefore requests the School Committee to instruct this Board to establish a library of pedagogical and other books at the headquarters of the Board of Supervisors, and requests that an initial appropriation of $100 be made therefor.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding one hundred dollars ($100) toward the establishment of a reference library for teachers in the Mason-street building, is hereby authorized.

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SCHOOL SESSIONS. PRINCE DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 28, 1906, recommending that on and after Sept. 12, 1906, the sessions of the Prince District shall be uniform with those of the other school districts of the city.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That from and after the beginning of the next school year the sessions of the schools in the Prince District shall conform to those held in other districts throughout the city.

VACATION SCHOOL TO BE CONDUCTED BY DENISON HOUSE.

An application was received from Mary H. Dana on behalf of the Denison House, under date of May 25, 1906, for permission to occupy the Tyler-street Primary building and the Hudson-street Manual Training room for vacation school purposes continuing for six weeks from July 9, 1906, and that the use of benches, tools, and certain kindergarten material be allowed as in previous years.

The application was approved, subject to the same terms and conditions as in previous years.

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USE OF HALL OF ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE FOR MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.

An application was received on behalf of the Juvenile Symphony Orchestral Society to occupy the hall of the Roxbury High School-house on Sunday afternoons for free musical and orchestral instruction under the direction of a competent voluntary instructor.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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BOUNDARY LINES OF BENNETT AND WASHINGTON ALLSTON DISTRICTS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Bennett and Washington Allston School Districts shall hereafter be as follows:—

Bennett District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at North Beacon street, at the Watertown bridge; thence by the centre of North Beacon street to Dustin street; thence by the centre of Dustin street to Cambridge street, thence westerly, by the rear of the southern side of Cambridge street to Warren street; thence easterly, by the rear of the northern side of Warren street, to Commonwealth avenue; thence by the centre of Commonwealth avenue to Summit avenue; thence southerly, by the rear of the western side of Summit avenue, to the Brookline line; thence by the Brookline and Newton lines, and the Charles River, to the point of beginning.

Washington Allston District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at the point where Market street crosses the Boston & Albany R. R.; thence by the rear of the eastern side of Market street to North Beacon street; thence by the centre of North Beacon street to Dustin street; thence by the centre of Dustin street to Cambridge street; thence westerly by the rear of the southern side of Cambridge street to Warren street; thence easterly by the rear of the northern side of Warren street to Commonwealth avenue; thence by the centre of Commonwealth avenue to Summit avenue; thence by the rear of the western side of Summit avenue to the Brookline line; thence by the Brookline line to the Brook line bridge; thence by the Charles River to a point midway between Cambridge street and Western avenue; thence by a line running westerly to Coolidge street crossing North Harvard street; thence by the rear of the northern side of Coolidge street to Mansfield street; thence by the rear of the western side of Mansfield street to Cambridge street; thence by the rear of the northern side of Cambridge street to the Boston & Albany R. R.; thence by the southern side of said railroad to the point of beginning.

SCHOOL CENSUS.

A proposition was received from John W. Slavin, under date of May 25, 1906, to take the school census for the current year for the sum of sixteen hundred dollars ($1600).

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the proposition of John W. Slavin to take the school census for the current year for the sum of sixteen hundred dollars ($1600) be and the same hereby is accepted.

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BILL OF NELSON WESTON.

A bill was received from Nelson Weston, janitor of the Bowdoin School-house, in the sum of five dollars ($5) for services rendered in connection with the graduation exercises of the Wells School, held in the building under his charge in June, 1905.

Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM P. ENGLISH.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That William P. English be paid the sum of four dollars for service rendered as a temporary clerk in the office of the Superintendent on May 24, 25, and 26, 1906.

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PROPOSALS FOR COAL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the proposals received for coal to be delivered to the various school buildings for a period from July 1 to Oct. 1, 1906, be referred to a sub-committee, consisting of the Chairman and Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, with full powers.

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EMPLOYMENT OF SUBSTITUTES FOR TEACHERS HAVING VISITING DAYS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent and the Board of Supervisors be requested to consider and report as to the expediency of limiting or omitting the employment of substitutes for teachers absent from their regular duties to visit other schools, as provided in section 217 of the regulations, and the reduction in expense to be effected thereby.

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LEGAL ASSISTANCE FOR PRINCIPALS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary notify the various principals of schools and districts that in the event of their requiring legal assistance in any case which may arise in connection with their school duties they shall bring the matter to the attention of this Board; and that the city will not be responsible for any such expense incurred by them in such circumstances.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:46 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 4, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

FIRE ESCAPE, BRIMMER SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of May 31, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Mar. 19, stating that the fire escape on the Brimmer School-house has been repaired, and the facilities for escape from that building in case of fire have been improved.

Placed on file.

RENTED SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commissioners, under date of May 31, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Jan. 22, stating that the yearly rental for school accommodations has been materially reduced.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

Lowell District—Agnes L. Moran, assistant, Primary School, June 5, 1906.

Director of Kindergartens—Laura Fisher, Sept. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

The following confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

CONFIRMATIONS.

Emerson District—Isabel J. Ross, assistant, Primary School.

George Putnam District—Annie C. Simmons, assistant, Grammar School; Anna H. O'Connell, assistant, Primary School.

Jefferson District—Mary G. Murray, assistant, Kindergarten.

Thomas Gardner District—Carolyn B. Shattuck, assistant, Kindergarten.

Approved.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Harvard District—Darius Hadley, submaster, from May 11 until July 1, 1906; Stephen J. Murdock, Boston, substitute.

Shurtleff District—Anna L. Scallan, assistant, Grammar School, from May 4 until July 1, 1906; Agnes T. Nolan, Boston, substitute.

Washington Allston District—Florence M. Homer, assistant, Grammar School, from May 1 until June 8, 1906; substitutes, Frances E. Woods of Boston from May 7 until May 11, 1906, inclusive, and from June 4 until June 8, 1906, inclusive; Emily C. Broadbridge, Boston, from May 14 until June 1, 1906, inclusive.

MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-four minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

SCHOOL ATHLETICS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 4, 1906, stating that the head-masters of the Latin and high schools have given considerable attention to the proper control of school athletics, and have agreed upon a plan of organization and management; also recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the Superintendent, with the approval of the Board of Supervisors, establish a plan of management and control of school athletics and issue from time to time and enforce such regulations, not contrary to the rules and regulations of the School Board, as may be necessary to put this plan in operation.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

BACKWARD PUPILS ATTENDING HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 4, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of May 21, relative to the best method of eliminating backward pupils from the high schools, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That chapter XX of the regulations be amended by adding thereto a section to be numbered section 275.

Section 275: A pupil in a high or Latin school who, during the first six months of a given year, has failed in nine or more points of work or its equivalent, exclusive of points in choral practice, physical training, and hygiene, and who has shown a culpable want of effort to reach a satisfactory standard of work, may, on recommendation of the head-master, be placed on probation by the Board of Supervisors and if, at the end of the year, he has not improved his record, he may, on the recommendation of the head-master, approved by the Board of Supervisors, be required to withdraw from the school. A pupil so excluded shall not be readmitted except on assurance of amendment satisfactory to the Board of Supervisors. A second exclusion shall be final.

Placed on file and the order passed.

REDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of May 29, 1906, in response to orders passed at the meetings of Jan. 1, Jan. 5, and May 28, with reference to reduction in expenses, containing a list of suggestions received from every principal in the service, and stating that after examination thereof, the Board makes the following recommendations:—

(1) That the bi-monthly programs of music and drawing should be issued in one annual print.

(2) That janitors be furnished a few necessary tools and that they be required to make ordinary minor repairs about their buildings.

(3) That masters, teachers and janitors be enjoined to exercise a much stricter economy in the use of gas and electricity.

(4) That section 217 of the regulations be amended to the effect that the number of visiting days allowed annually to a teacher be reduced to two.

(5) That there should be established a

fixed, equal, maximum, pro rata apportionment of supplies.

(6) That the Brimmer and Winthrop Schools be united in one building.

(7) That a strict enforcement of the regulation should be made in regard to the number of pupils to a teacher in the high and Latin schools.

(8) That the position of assistant instructors of foreign languages be abolished.

(9) That discretionary power be granted to the individual masters in regard to the employment of substitutes for a limited period, especially on visiting days.

(10) That the quota of evening drawing school pupils to a teacher be raised from twenty to thirty.

(11) That the number of curators in evening drawing schools be reduced by reorganization.

(12) That the appointment, assignment and transfer of assistant kindergarten teachers and maids be left discretionary with the Superintendent.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

Subsequently, on motion of the same member, the communication was taken from the table and the various items therein acted upon as follows:

(1) On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent with full power to carry out the recommendation in such manner as he deems best.

(2) Placed on file.

(3) Placed on file.

(4) On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Superintendent was requested to submit at the next meeting of the Board an appropriate amendment to the regulations to carry the recommendation into effect.

(5) Placed on file.

(6) Placed on file.

(7) On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

(8) On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

(9) On motion of Mr. Brock, placed on file.

(10) On motion of Mr. Brock, approved.

(11) On motion of Mr. Brock, the Superintendent was requested to take such steps as may be necessary to reduce the number of curators in evening drawing schools within such limits as he deems advisable.

(12) On motion of Mr. Ellis, approved.

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BOARD OF EXAMINERS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 1, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of May 21, stating that the Board has under consideration the formulation of a plan for the classification of teachers on eligible lists, and believes that until the proposed plan shall have been thoroughly and successfully tested there should be no division of responsibility in the examination and classification of teachers. The Board of Supervisors is therefore of the opinion that the establishment of a Board of Examiners is inadvisable.

Placed on file.

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TEXT, REFERENCE AND SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 4, 1906, stating that it has considered changes in and additions to the authorized list of text, reference and supplementary books, and recommends such action regarding the same as will be accomplished by the passage of the following orders:

1. ORDERED, That the following-named book be authorized for use as a text-book in the Normal school:—

Elements of Algebra, by Wooster W. Beman and David E. Smith, published by Ginn & Company.

2. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the high and Latin schools:—

Exercises in French Syntax and Composition, by Jeanne M. Bouvet, published by D. C. Heath & Co.

Pecheur D'Islande, by Pierre Loti, edited by O. B. Super, published by D. C. Heath & Co.

Quatrevingt-Treize, by Victor Hugo, adapted by James Boielle, published by Ginn & Company.

New Latin Composition, by Moses G. Daniell and Seldon L. Brown, published by Benjamin H. Sanborn & Co. (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed, in place of Daniell's New Latin Composition).

Composition-Rhetoric, by Stratton D. Brooks and Marietta Hubbard, published by the American Book Company.

Extraits Choisis Des Oeuvres de Paul Bourget, edited by Alphonse N. Van Daell, published by Ginn & Company.

A Practical Course in Spanish, by Monsanto and Languellier, edited by Josselyn, published by the American Book Company.

A Short History of England's and America's Literature, by Eva M. Tappan, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Company (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed, in place of Tappan's A Short History of England's Literature).

3. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the high schools:—

The Phonographic Amanuensis, by Jerome B. Howard, published by The Phonographic Institute Company.

Commercial Correspondence, by Albert G. Belding, published by the American Book Company.

4. ORDERED, That the following-named book be authorized for use as a text-book in the Latin schools:—

England's Story, by Eva M. Tappan, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Company.

5. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the grammar schools:—

The Whitehouse Educational System and the Natural Movement Method of Practical Writing, by W. A. Whitehouse, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

The Macmillan Series of Writing Books, by Harry Houston, published by The Macmillan Company.

Smith's Educational System of Intermedial Penmanship, published by Richardson, Smith & Company.

Practical Writing, by Platt R. Spencer's Sons, published by the American Book Company.

Medial Writing Books, by H. W. Shaylor and G. H. Shattuck, published by Ginn & Company.

The Writing Hour, published by Maynard, Merrill & Company.

The Gilman Renewable Copy Book, published by Thompson, Brown & Company.

The Graphic System of Medial Penmanship, by Edwin Shepard, published by Parker P. Simmons.

The Anna E. Hill Writing Copies, published by Benjamin H. Sanborn & Company.

Haaren's New Writing Books, by John H. Haaren, published by D. C. Heath & Company.

The First Book in Physics, by J. A. Culler, published by J. B. Lippincott Company.

The Child's Book of Health, Revised Edition, by Alfred F. Blaisdell, published by Ginn & Company (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed, in place of Blaisdell's The Child's Book of Health).

Our Bodies and How We Live, by Albert F. Blaisdell, Revised Edition, published by Ginn & Company (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed in place of Blaisdell's Our Bodies and How We Live).

A Healthy Body, Revised Edition, by Charles H. Stowell, published by Silver, Burdett & Company (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed, in place of Stowell's A Healthy Body).

Introductory Physiology and Hygiene, by H. W. Conn, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

An Elementary Physiology and Hygiene, by H. W. Conn, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

First Book in Hygiene, A Primer of Physiology, by William O. Krohn, published by D. Appleton & Company.

Graded Lessons in Physiology and Hygiene, by William O. Krohn, published by D. Appleton & Company.

6. ORDERED, That Cyr's Fifth Reader, by Ellen M. Cyr, published by Ginn & Company, be transferred from the list of supplementary books in the grammar schools, to the list of text-books in the grammar schools.

7. ORDERED, That A History of the United States for Schools, by John Fiske, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Company, be transferred from the list of supplementary books in the grammar schools, to the list of textbooks in the grammar schools.

8. ORDERED, That the Wide Awake Primer, by Clara Murray, published by Little, Brown & Company, be transferred from the list of Supplementary books in the primary schools, to the list of textbooks in the primary schools.

9. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books in the high and Latin schools:—

The Principles and Progress of English Poetry, by Charles M. Gayley, and Clement C. Young, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

Elementary Lessons in Electricity and Magnetism, by Silvanus P. Thompson, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

Shakespeare: His Life, Art, and Characters, Revised Edition, by Rev. H. N. Hudson, Vols. I and II, published by Ginn & Company, one copy for each school.

A Selection from the World's Great Orations, by Sherwin Cody, published by A. C. McClurg, one copy to be furnished each school.

10. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books in the high schools:—

A General History of Commerce, by William C. Webster, published by Ginn & Company, one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject.

Commercial Correspondence and Postal Information, by Carl L. Altmaier, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject.

Commercial and Industrial Geography, by John J. Macfarlane, published by Sadler-Rowe Company, one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject.

The Electrolytic Dissociation Theory with Some of Its Applications, by Henry P. Talbot and Arthur A. Blanchard, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

The Principles of Inorganic Chemistry, by Wilhelm Ostwald, translated by Alex. Findlay, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

Outlines of Industrial Chemistry, by Frank H. Thorp, revised by Charles D. Demond, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

The New Knowledge, by Robert K. Duncan, published by A. S. Barnes & Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

The Elements of Business Law, by Ernest W. Huffcutt, published by Ginn & Company, one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject.

Commercial Geography, by Henry Gannett, Carl L. Garrison, and Edwin J. Houston, published by the American Book Company, one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject.

Commercial Education, by Chessman A. Herrick, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

The Industrial History of the United States, by Katharine Coman, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

A Popular Handbook of the Birds of the United States and Canada, by Thomas Nuttall, published by Little, Brown & Co., one copy for each teacher of the subject.

A History of Art, by William H. Goodyear, Revised Edition, published by A. S. Barnes & Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

11. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books in the Latin Schools:—

French-English English-French Dictionary, by Smith, Hamilton and Le Gros, published by F. W. Christern, N. Y., one copy to be furnished each school.

English-Greek Lexicon, by C. D. Yonge, published by the American Book Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

12. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books in the grammar schools:—

The Young Folks' Cyclopaedia of Literature and Art, by John D. Champlin, published by Henry Holt & Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

The Teaching of English, by Percival Chubb, published by The Macmillan Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

13 ORDERED, That the following-named book be authorized for use as a reference book in the grammar and primary schools:—

How To Tell Stories to Children, by Sara C. Bryant, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., one copy to be furnished each school.

14. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books in the primary schools:—

Three Years With the Poets, compiled by Bertha Hazard, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co., one copy to be furnished each school.

The New Century Primer of Hygiene, by Jeannette W. Hall, published by the American Book Company, one copy to be furnished each school.

15. ORDERED, That Lippincott's New Gazetteer of the World, edited by Angelo Heilprin and Louis Heilprin, published by J. B. Lippincott Company, be authorized for use as a reference book in the Normal, high, Latin and grammar schools, one copy to be furnished each school (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed in place of Lippincott's Gazetteer).

16. ORDERED, That Lippincott's Universal Pronouncing Dictionary of Biography and Mythology, Revised Edition, by Joseph Thomas, published by J. B. Lippincott Company, be authorized for use as a reference book in the high, Latin and grammar schools, one copy to be furnished each school (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed, in place of Lippincott's Dictionary of Biography and Mythology.

17. ORDERED, That Moral Education, by Edward H. Griggs, published by B. W. Huebsch, be authorized for use as a reference book in the high, Latin, grammar and primary schools, one copy to be furnished each school.

18. ORDERED, That Webster's International Dictionary, of the English language (Reference History Edition), by Noah Porter and W. T. Harris, published by G. and C. Merriam Company, be authorized for use as a reference book in the grammar schools, one copy to be furnished each school.

19. ORDERED, That Home Sanitation: A Manual for Housekeepers, by the Sanitary Science Club of the Association of Collegiate Alumnae, Revised Edition, published by Whitcomb & Barrows, be authorized for use as a reference book in the Cookery Schools, one copy to be furnished each school.

20. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books in the high and Latin schools:—

Essentials in Mediaeval and Modern History, by Samuel B. Harding and Albert B. Hart, published by the American Book Company.

Mediaeval and Modern History, by Philip Van Ness Myers, Revised Edition, published by Ginn & Company.

A History of the Middle Ages, by Dana C. Munro, published by D. Appleton & Company.

Lingard's History of England, by Henry N. Birt, published by George Bell & Sons, London.

The following note to be appended to the foregoing histories: "To be furnished on the recommendation of the Board of Supervisors."

21. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books in the grammar schools:

Source Readers in American History: Colonial Children, by Albert B. Hart and Blanche E. Hazard, Camps and Firesides of the Revolution, by Albert B. Hart and Mabel Hill, How Our Grandfathers Lived, by Albert B. Hart and Annie B. Chapman, The Romance of the Civil War, by Albert B. Hart and Elizabeth Stevens, published by the Macmillan Company.

Daniel Webster for Young Americans, by Charles F. Richardson, published by Little, Brown & Company.

American Hero Stories, by Eva M. Tappan, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Company.

Famous Men of Rome, Famous Men of Greece, Famous Men of The Middle Ages, by John A. Haaren and A. B. Poland, published by the University Publishing Company.

Moni The Goat Boy, by Johanna Spyri, translated by Edith F. Kunz, published by Ginn & Company.

Lessons for Junior Citizens, by Mabel Hill, published by Ginn & Company.

Men of Old Greece, by Jennie Hall, published by Little, Brown & Company.

Lads and Lassies of Other Days, by Lillian L. Price, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

Stories of Bird Life, by T. Gilbert Pearson, published by the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company.

Asgard Stories, by Mary H. Foster and Mabel H. Cummings, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

American Heroes and Heroines, by Pauline C. Bouve, published by the Lothrop Publishing Company.

The World and Its People, Book XI, The Story of the Philippines, by Adeline Knapp, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

The World and Its People, Book XII, Porto Rico: The Land of the Rich Port, by Joseph B. Seabury, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

The Morse Readers, Books IV and V, by Ella M. Powers and Thomas M. Balliet, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

Stories from Lands of Sunshine, by Eleanor Riggs, published by the University Publishing Company.

The Sprague Classic Readers, Book Four, Parts I and II; and Book Five, Parts I and II, by Sarah E. Sprague, published by the Educational Publishing Company.

Some Merry Adventures of Robin Hood of Great Renown in Nottinghamshire, by Howard Pyle, published by Charles Scribner's Sons.

Wilderness Babies, by Julia A. Schwartz, published by Little, Brown & Company.

Carpenter's Geographical Readers: Australia, Our Colonies and Other Islands of the Sea, by Frank G. Carpenter, and Africa, by Frank G. Carpenter, published by the American Book Company.

Graded Classics, by M. W. Haliburton and F. T. Norvell, Books IV and V, published by the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company.

The Silver Song Series, Number 24, arranged by Leonard B. Marshall, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

22. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books in the primary schools:—

The Brooks Primer, by Clarence F. Carroll and Sarah C. Brooks, published by D. Appleton & Company.

Graded Classics, Books I, II, and III, by M. W. Haliburton and F. T. Norvell, published by the B. F. Johnson Publishing Company.

Pathways in Nature and Literature, A First Reader, Pathways in Nature and Literature, A Second Reader, by Sarah R. Christy and Edward R. Shaw, published by the University Publishing Company.

First Year Language Reader, by Franklin T. Baker, George R. Carpenter and Katharine B. Owen,

Second Year Language Reader, by Franklin T. Baker, George R. Carpenter and Katharine B. Owen, and

Third Year Language Reader, by Franklin T. Baker, George R. Carpenter, and Mary E. Brooks, published by The Macmillan Company.

The Folk Lore Readers, a Primer, and The Folk Lore Readers, Book I, by Eulalie O. Grover, published by Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover.

The Art-Literature Readers, a Primer, and Book I, by Eulalie O. Grover. The Art-Literature Readers, Book II, by Frances O. Grover; published by Atkinson, Mentzer & Grover.

The Sprague Classic Readers, Books I, II, and III, by Sarah E. Sprague, published by the Educational Publishing Company.

New Century Readers, Nature, Myth and Story, Third Year, by John G. Thompson and Thomas E. Thompson, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

The Standard First Reader,

The Standard Second Reader,

The Standard Third Reader, by Martin G. Brumbaugh, published by the Christopher Sower Company.

The Indian Primer, by Florence C. Fox, published by the American Book Company.

23. ORDERED, That First Steps in Geography, by Alexis E. Frye, published by Ginn & Company, be authorized for use as a supplementary book in the grammar schools (to be purchased hereafter as new books are needed, in place of Frye's Elements of Geography).

24. ORDERED, That the following-named copy-books be dropped from the list of text-books in the grammar schools:—

Appleton; Duntonian; Harper; Payson, Dunton & Scribner.

25. ORDERED, That School Document No. 9, 1904, in all cases in which the note occurs "To be furnished at the discretion of the committee on supplies," said note be changed to read: "To be furnished on the recommendation of the Board of Supervisors."

26. ORDERED, That the foot note numbered 4, on page 10 of School Document No. 9, 1904, viz.: "One set to be supplied for every two rooms of grades IV, V, VI and VII. No additional copies to be purchased," be stricken out.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the foregoing communication and orders was dispensed with, and they were laid over to the next meeting.

PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 4, 1906, stating that it has carefully considered chapter XI of the regulations and its application to present conditions, and recommends in order to avoid misinterpretation the passage of the following orders:—

(1) ORDERED, That chapter XI of the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sections 121 and 122. Strike out the sections and insert in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 121. The Board of Supervisors shall grant certificates of qualification to persons successfully passing examinations as aforesaid, as follows:—

2. High School, Head-Masters: To Head-Masters of Normal Schools and of Day and Evening High Schools.

3. High School: To Masters, Junior Masters, Instructors, Assistant Principals, and Assistants of Normal Schools, and of Day and Evening High Schools.

4. High School, Special: To Assistant Instructors and Laboratory Assistants of Normal Schools, and of Day and Evening High Schools.

5. Grammar School, Master's: To Masters of Grammar Schools.

6. Grammar School, Class A: To sub-masters and first assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, assistants of evening high schools and principals of evening elementary schools.

7. Grammar School, Special: To assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and of Evening High and Evening Elementary Schools, and to substitutes for sub-masters and for first assistants of Grammar Schools, and for assistants in Day High Schools.

8. Grammar School, Class B: To assistants of Grammar and Primary Schools, and of Evening Elementary Schools.

9. Kindergarten: To Instructors of Kindergartens.

10. Special: To instructors in special studies and of special schools.

11. Limited: To Instructors in industrial subjects in Educational Centres.

12. Interpreters: To Instructors in interpreting languages in Evening Elementary Schools and in Educational Centres.

Sect. 122. All candidates for certificates of qualification must present satisfactory evidence of possessing good character, health and scholarship, and in addition thereto shall furnish the following:—

2. For the High School, Head-Master's Certificate: A diploma from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors or from an institution of as high a grade; evidence of five years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools; evidence of good administrative ability.

3. For the High School Certificate: A diploma from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors, or from an institution of as high a grade; evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.

4. For the High School Certificate, Special: A diploma from a college or a university approved by the Board of Supervisors or from an institution of as high a grade; evidence of two years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.

5. For the Grammar School, Master's Certificate: Evidence of five years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools; evidence of good administrative ability.

6. For the Grammar School Certificate, Class A: Evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.

7. For the Grammar School Certificate, Special: Graduation from a college or university approved by the Board of Supervisors, and graduation from the Boston Normal School.

8. For the Grammar School Certificate, Class B: Evidence of two years' successful experience in teaching and governing regular graded schools.

9. For the Kindergarten Certificate: Evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching a regular kindergarten subsequent to graduation from a kindergarten training school approved by the Board of Supervisors.

10. For Certificates in Special Studies Valid in High Schools: Evidence of three years' successful experience in teaching and governing schools of such grade or grades as the Board of Supervisors may determine.

For other Special Certificates: Evidence of one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools of such grade or grades as the Board of Supervisors may determine.

11. For Limited Certificates: Evidence of three years' successful experience in the practical pursuit of the industry the candidate is to teach. These certificates shall expire the first day of September following the date of issue.

12. Interpreters' Certificates: A thorough knowledge of the English Language, and of such other language or languages as the candidate is to interpret. These certificates shall expire the first day of September, following the date of issue.

13. A satisfactory certificate in pedagogy or a diploma from the Boston Normal School or from a State Normal School in Massachusetts is accepted as equivalent to one year's successful experience in teaching and governing schools.

Sect. 123. Strike out paragraph 3 and insert in place thereof the following:—

3. The High School Head-Master's Certificate includes all the regular certificates. The High School Certificate includes the High School Special Certificate, and Certificates in Special Studies Valid in High Schools. The Grammar School Master's Certificate includes the Grammar School Certificate, Class A and B. The Grammar School Certificate, Class A includes the Grammar School Certificate, Class B. None of these certificates include the Kindergarten Certificate, or Limited or Interpreter's Certificates, or Certificates for Special Instructors except as stated.

Section 126. Strike out the section, and insert in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 126. Certificates shall cease to be valid as follows:—

2. Certificates issued on examination after June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid six years from date of issue.

3. Certificates issued on examination prior to June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid two years from date of issue.

4. Certificates issued to graduates of the Boston Normal School prior to June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid six years from said date.

5. Certificates issued to graduates of the Boston Normal School after June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid six years from date of issue.

6. Certificates issued on examination prior to June 1, 1906, and now valid by reason of renewal or of service in the city shall cease to be valid two years from said date except that regular high school certificates held by teachers now serving in permanent positions in the elementary day schools shall cease to be valid six years from said date.

7. All certificates under which appointments are made to permanent positions in the day school service shall remain valid during the term of such service and for two years after the holder thereof has ceased such service.

8. All certificates, except those under which appointments are made to permanent positions in the day school service,

cease to be valid when the names of the holders are removed from the eligible lists.

9. All certificates are non-renewable but the Board of Supervisors may issue instead thereof substitute certificates which shall entitle the holder to serve as substitute or temporary teacher, as special assistant, and in Evening and Vacation Schools under such conditions and limitations as the Board of Supervisors may decide.

10. Any certificate may be revoked by the Board of Supervisors if in its opinion the good of the service so demands.

Add the following section to the chapter:

Sect 136: The Superintendent shall appoint with the approval of the School Committee a list of substitute teachers to be known as the emergency list. In case of need of a substitute teacher the principal of the school or district shall notify the Superintendent who shall assign some one from the emergency list to fill such vacancy. Persons on the substitute list shall be paid only for days of actual service. The names of those on the eligible lists may be also upon the emergency list.

(2) ORDERED, That notice be given by advertisement in three daily papers published in the city of Boston that the Board of Supervisors will, during the current month, prepare eligible lists of qualified teachers in accordance with chapter XI of the regulations, and requesting persons now holding valid certificates who desire positions upon said lists to make application therefor not later than Monday, June 18, 1906.

(3) ORDERED, That during the month of June, 1906, the Board of Supervisors prepare eligible lists of qualified teachers in accordance with chapter XI of the rules and regulations, said lists to be composed of the following persons:—

1. Those who hold valid certificates issued on examination after June 1, 1904.
2. Those holding valid certificates granted them on account of graduation from the Boston Normal School.
3. Such other persons now holding valid certificates as may apply for positions on said lists before June 18, 1906.

The communication was placed on file.

The first order was laid over to the next meeting.

The second and third orders passed.

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DEATH OF MARY A. MAGUIRE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 31, 1906, reporting the death on May 30, 1906, of Mary A. Maguire, janitor of the Sharp School-house.

Placed on file.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 1, 1906, reporting the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from May 21 to 31, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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COMPENSATION FOR JANITOR SERVICE, HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of May 28, 1906, enclosing a statement of the areas of the various high school buildings, and the rate of compensation for janitor service of such buildings as determined by applying thereto the present schedule established for grammar and primary school-houses.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

COMPENSATION OF ELLEN B. MURPHY DURING LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

A petition was received from Ellen B. Murphy, teacher of cookery, that instead of total loss of pay during her absence from Apr. 26 to May 13, 1906, on account of the illness of a relative, she be allowed her regular salary during that period subject to the usual reduction for absence on account of illness.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, laid on the table.

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BILLS OF GEORGE H. BIRD.

Communications were received from George H. Bird, janitor of the East Boston High School-house, under date of May 26, 1906, transmitting bills for additional compensation for services rendered as janitor of the East Boston Evening High School during the terms of 1904-05 and 1905-06.

Placed on file.

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INSTRUCTION IN PHYSIOLOGY.

A communication was received from Newton R. Fuller, under date of June 4, 1906, requesting a change in the course of instruction in the public schools with reference to the subject of physiology.

Referred to the Superintendent.

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"DORCHESTER DAY" CELEBRATION. JUNE 9, 1906.

An application was received from Charles J. Lincoln, head-master of the Dorchester High School, under date of June 3, 1906, that the Dorchester High School Battalion be permitted to participate in the procession in connection with the celebration of "Dorchester Day" on Saturday, June 9, and that it be allowed to use the military equipment of the school on that occasion.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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An application was received from William S. Bramhall, under date of June 4, 1906, for permission to occupy a portion of the basement of the Dorchester High School-house on Saturday, June 9, for the accommodation of those participating in the parade on that day.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and without charge on the part of the city.

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USE OF HALL, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL.

An application was received from John F. Casey, head-master of the English High School, under date of June 1, 1906, on behalf of the graduating class of that school, for permission to occupy a portion of that building on the evening of June 15, for class day exercises, etc.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and without charge on the part of the city.

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USE OF HALL, WEST ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

An application was received from George C. Mann, head-master of the West Roxbury High School, under date of June 2, 1906, on behalf of the graduating class of that school, for permission to occupy a portion of that building on the evening of June 20, for class day exercises.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions, and without charge on the part of the city.

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USE OF BUNKER HILL PRIMARY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from James M. Ginty, on behalf of the 17th of June Carnival Association, under date of May

28, 1906, for permission to occupy the Bunker Hill Primary School-house during the evening of June 18, for the costuming of figurants who are to take part in the parade.

Approved, subject to the usual conditions and the payment of four dollars ($4) to cover the estimated cost of lighting the building.

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SPECIAL CLASSES FOR BOYS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent establish a limited number of special classes intended for boys requiring special attention and discipline, and that he report to this Board as to the number of such classes which he considers desirable, the number of boys to be placed in each such class, and his recommendation with respect to the compensation to be established for teachers of such classes.

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KEYS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communications received at the meeting of May 14, from Charles M. Clay, head-master of the Roxbury High School, with reference to the violation of the regulation limiting the number of keys to school buildings in the case of his school, were taken from the table, and placed on file.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Regulations Governing the Use of School Buildings be amended as follows:—

Section 13. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Section 13. There shall be three keys to each school building, one of which shall be held by the principal, one by the teacher in charge, and the third by the janitor. If, in the opinion of the Schoolhouse Custodian, it is necessary for the proper janitor service of any building, he may authorize the issue of an additional key to the janitor of such building, which may be held by such assistant to the janitor as the Schoolhouse Custodian shall approve, and for the proper use of which the janitor shall be responsible.

All keys of school buildings shall be the property of the city, and no such key shall be permitted to leave the possession of the person entitled to hold the same, nor shall the holder thereof allow a duplicate to be made of any such key. No person shall be permitted to enter or to remain in a school building outside of school hours in the absence of the principal, or the teacher in charge, or the janitor.

Passed unanimously.

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of principals of schools and districts be called to Section 13 of the Regulations Governing the Use of School Buildings as amended at this meeting, and that they be instructed to collect any and all keys held by their subordinates in violation thereof and return them immediately to the Schoolhouse Custodian; and that the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to ascertain the number of such keys held by janitors and their assistants and to collect and retain in his possession any such keys held by unauthorized persons.

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SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

Mr. William S. Kenny offered the following:—

ORDERED, That a school graduates' festival be held this year at an expense not exceeding three thousand dollars ($3000).

Passed unanimously.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAY ROLLS

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the pay rolls and bills for the month of June, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk, be approved on behalf of this Board by the Chairman.

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COURSE OF STUDY, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the three orders submitted by the Superintendent at the previous meeting, relating to the course of study for Evening High Schools and printed in the proceedings on pages 125 and 126, were taken from the table.

On motion of the same member, the orders were successively passed.

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COMPENSATION FOR TEACHERS, FRANKLIN EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communications from the Acting Superintendent and from Edward Crosby, relative to the compensation of teachers of the Franklin Evening School for the evening of Jan. 17, 1906, were taken from the table, and placed on file.

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SPECIAL MEETING.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That a special meeting of the Board be held on Thursday, June 14, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., for further consideration of the rules and regulations.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 9:45 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 11, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, HYDE AND SHERWIN DISTRICTS.

Silas C. Stone, Master of the Hyde School, and Edward P. Shute, Master of the Sherwin School, appeared, and severally presented communications relative to the urgent necessity for additional school accommodations in those districts.

The applications were taken under advisement, and copies ordered to be sent to the Schoolhouse Commission.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE, CAROLINE K. NICKERSON.

A communication was received from Silas C. Stone, Master of the Hyde School, under date of June 11, 1906, stating that Caroline K. Nickerson, a grammar assistant employed in the Hyde School, met with a very serious accident in April last, and asking that in consideration of her long and faithful service she be allowed leave of absence, without loss of pay, from Apr. 16 to June 22, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, and the substitutes named were approved by the Board:—

Dearborn District—Mary F. Walsh, assistant, Grammar School, from Mar. 25 until July 1, 1906; Deborah F. Barry, Boston, substitute.

Hancock District—Josephine A. Coulahan, assistant, Grammar School, from June 5 until July 1, 1906; Linda C. O'Dowd, Boston, substitute.

Sherwin District—Laura L. Brown, assistant, Primary School, from June 20 until July 1, 1906; Lillie M. Redfern, Boston, substitute.

Instructor of Sewing—Nida F. Vesper, from April 1 until July 1, 1906; Adeline M. Norton, Boston, substitute.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of forty-eight minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of four to be licensed to black boots, and one to be licensed to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

REAPPOINTMENTS OF INSTRUCTORS.

The following annual reappointments of instructors, to date from Sept. 1, 1906, were submitted by the Superintendent:—

To Serve During the Pleasure of the School Committee.

Hancock District—Ellen C. Sawtelle, Master.

Harvard District—Henry C. Parker, Master.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Michael E. Fitzgerald, Master.

Washington Allston District—William C. Crawford, Master.

Physical Training—Nathaniel J. Young, Assistant to Director.

Dorchester High School—Mabel S. Morse, Teacher of Physical Training.

East Boston High School—Sarah H. Jacobus, Teacher of Physical Training.

South Boston High School—Blanche A. Bemis, Teacher of Physical Training.

West Roxbury High School—Catharine L. Bigelow, Teacher of Physical Training.

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To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Charlestown High School—George W. Evans, Head-Master.

High School of Commerce—Frank V. Thompson, Head-Master.

Blackinton District—Herbert L. Morse, Master.

Dillaway District—Mary C. Mellyn, Master.

Dwight District—Jason L. Curtis, Master.

Lowell District—E. Emmons Grover, Master.

Martin District—W. Lawrence Murphy, Master.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Charles N. Bentley, Master.

Sherwin District—Edward P. Shute, Master.

Shurtleff District—Agnes G. Gilfether, Master.

Thomas Gardner District—Charles F. Merrick, Master.

Washington District—Benjamin J. Hinds, Master.

Physical Training—Gordon Trowbridge, Assistant to Director.

Brighton High School—Sara L. Shaw, Teacher of Physical Training.

Dorchester High School—Mary F. Stratton, Teacher of Physical Training.

Girls' High School—J. Loretta Nagle, Teacher of Physical Training.

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On Probation.

Physical Training—William J. Holland, John D. O'Reilly, Assistants to Director, to take charge of school athletics.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid over to the next meeting.

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Also a list of reappointments of subordinate teachers of the several Normal, Latin, high, grammar, primary schools and kindergartens to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and for the term ending Aug. 31, 1907, said reappointments to date from Sept. 1, 1906, and contained in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election."

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A communication was also received from the Superintendent, under date of June 11, 1906, in connection with the same matter, recommending the passage of the following orders:—

ORDERED, That instructors in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, as contained and specified in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election," be allowed for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

ORDERED, That instructors with higher rank than the regulations permit, in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, as contained and specified in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election," be continued in the service for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

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ORDERED, That instructors now in the service, in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, be re-elected without assignment to any particular school, the Superintendent to place them next September in schools in which vacancies regularly occur. They are:—

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Jennie M. Chandler, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Bennett District.
Adelaide M. Clarke and Grace G. Daly, assistants, Kindergarten, now in the Chapman District.
Fannie P. Walker, assistant, Kindergarten, now in the Charles Sumner District.
Mary L. Logan, assistant, Primary School, now in the Dudley District.
Josephine A. Coulahan, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Hancock District.
Mabel G. Berry, principal, Kindergarten, now in the Lewis District.
Alice B. Poor, assistant, Primary School, now in the Martin District.
Bessie E. Kennedy, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Norcross District.
Mary M. Crane, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Warren District.
Edith J. Jones, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Washington Allston District.

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On Probation.

Kate E. McMullin, assistant, Primary School, now in the Blackinton District.
Bernice A. Hill, assistant, Kindergarten, now in the Lyman District.
Eleanor G. Hutchinson, principal, Kindergarten, now in the Mather District.
Anna M. Cogan, assistant, Primary School, now in the Oliver Hazard Perry District.
Anna F. Maybury, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Roger Wolcott District.
Sara C. Bullard, principal, Kindergarten, now in the Winthrop District.

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ORDERED, That the following-named instructor, who has a rank higher than that authorized by the regulations and who is in a school in which there is an extra teacher, be reelected without assignment to any school, the Superintendent to transfer her in September on the occurrence of a vacancy in which she may be placed:—

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Annie M. Niland, first assistant, Primary School, now in the Hancock District.

ORDERED, That unless the number of pupils in the primary school of the Robert G. Shaw District shall have increased sufficiently in September to warrant the retention of its present number of teachers, one of these teachers shall be transferred by the Superintendent to a school in some other district.

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ORDERED, That instructors of a rank higher than the regulations allow, but not in excess of the authorized number, be re-elected as follows, the question of their rank to be adjusted, by transfer or otherwise, by the Superintendent at the earliest opportunity:—

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Washington District—Nellie G. Kelley, first assistant, Primary School.

On Probation.

Roxbury High School—Joseph L. Powers, Junior Master.

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ORDERED, That instructors with higher rank than the regulations permit be authorized until such time during the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907, as the Superintendent may adjust the question of their rank by transfer or otherwise, these instructors being now serving on tenure, as follows:—

Bunker Hill District—One first assistant, Grammar School.
Hugh O'Brien District—One first assistant, Primary School.

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ORDERED, That in the Robert G. Shaw District, for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907, there shall be but one first assistant, Grammar School, and that the rank of Frances R. Newcomb, now first assistant, Grammar School, shall be reduced to that of assistant, Grammar School.

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ORDERED, That ungraded classes in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, as specified in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election," are hereby authorized for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the document and orders were laid over to the next meeting.

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USE OF BASEMENTS, BOWDOIN AND PRINCE SCHOOL BUILDINGS; ELECTION PURPOSES.

A communication was received from the Board of Election Commissioners, under date of June 6, 1906, requesting the use of the basements in the Bowdoin and Prince School buildings for election purposes during the current year.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the application was approved.

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INSTRUCTION IN SEWING.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 11, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of Jan. 22, with reference to the advisability of requiring instruction in sewing to be given by the regular grade teachers instead of by special teachers of that subject, stating that in view of the many considerations involved, the Board of Supervisors requests that it be allowed some opportunity to experiment before expressing a final opinion upon the question, and recommending that the Committee authorize it to direct regular grade teachers to teach sewing in such schools or classes as the Board of Supervisors may consider favorably conditioned therefor.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to require the regular grade teachers to give instruction in sewing in such schools or classes as it may deem expedient.

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A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 11, 1906, stating that by special permission of former sub-committees instruction in sewing has been authorized in a few third grade classes, and recommending that after Sept. 1, 1906, such instruction be discontinued.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That after Sept. 1, 1906, instruction in sewing in primary classes be discontinued.

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TEXT-BOOKS IN ALGEBRA.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 11, 1906, recommending that text-books in algebra authorized for use in the high schools be also authorized for use in grammar schools.
Placed on file.
Mr. Ellis offered the following:—
ORDERED, That all text-books in algebra authorized for use in high schools, are also authorized for use as text-books in grammar schools.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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ADMISSION OF PUPILS TO CLASSES IN COOKERY AND SEWING.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 11, 1906, recommending that any pupil, twelve years of age or over, may, with the permission of the supervisor in charge, be admitted to classes in cookery and sewing.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was
ORDERED, That any pupil of twelve years of age or over, may, with the consent of the supervisor in charge, be admitted to classes in cookery and sewing.

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JANITORSHIP, JOSHUA BATES PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 11, 1906, stating that Portable Building No. 43, formerly located in the yard of the Howard-avenue School, has been moved to the lot owned by the city adjoining the yard of the Joshua Bates School-house, and recommending that Michael Dundon, janitor of that school-house, be appointed to the janitorship of the Portable Building, to date from June 4, 1906.
Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the proposed appointment was approved.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 11, 1906, reporting the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from June 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.
Placed on file.

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LOAN OF FURNITURE TO NORTH BENNET-STREET INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL.

An application was received from the Director of the North Bennet-street Industrial School, under date of June 7, 1906, for the loan of kindergarten furniture consisting of about fifty chairs and six tables for vacation school use during the current summer.
The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Schoolhouse Commission was requested to take the necessary steps to comply with the aforesaid request.

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JANITOR SERVICE, WARRENTON-STREET KINDERGARTEN.

A bill was received from the Treasurer of the Barnard Memorial for janitor service during the past school year rendered in connection with the public kindergarten maintained by the city in the Warrenton-street Chapel.
Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That there be paid to Frank T. Vose, Treasurer, Barnard Memorial, the sum of one hundred dollars ($100) for care of the Warrenton-street Chapel, from Sept., 1905, to June, 1906.

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17TH OF JUNE CELEBRATION, CHARLESTOWN.

A communication was received from Edward L. Cauley, Chairman, Committee of Celebration of June 17th, 1906, under date of June 7, requesting that a part of the High School Cadets be permitted to participate in the parade to be held in Charlestown during the afternoon of June 18.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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VACATION SCHOOL TO BE CONDUCTED BY HALE HOUSE.

An application was received from A. Isabel Winslow on behalf of Hale House, under date of June 2, 1906, for permission to occupy the Wait School-house for vacation school purposes from July 9 to Aug. 19, 1906.
Placed on file and the application approved subject to the same terms and conditions as in previous years.

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TEMPORARY CLERK, OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors be authorized to employ a temporary clerk for a period not exceeding ten days, at the rate of two and one-half dollars ($2.50) per day.

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HEATING AND VENTILATING APPARATUS, ENGLISH HIGH AND PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL-HOUSES.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to make such repairs on the heating and ventilating apparatus of the English High and Public Latin School-house as will prevent the necessity of dismissing the pupils of the Public Latin School on extremely cold days.

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SALARY OF MARY G. WALSH.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the salary of Mary G. Walsh, assistant in the office of the Auditing Clerk, be established at the rate of seven hundred and twenty dollars ($720) per annum, to date from July 1, 1906, until otherwise ordered.

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SALARY OF FRANK HASEY.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That Frank Hasey, truant officer, who has been absent on account of sickness since Mar. 5, 1906, be allowed and paid his regular salary to Sept. 1, 1906.

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SALARY OF GEORGE W. BEAN.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That George W. Bean, truant officer, who was absent on account of sickness from May 4 to June 11, inclusive, be allowed and paid his regular salary to Sept. 1, 1906.

SALARY OF ESTHER S. BROOKS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salary due Esther S. Brooks, late assistant in the Gilbert Stuart District, be paid to her brother, William B. Brooks.

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GIBSON FUND ALLOTMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the income of the Gibson Fund to the extent of thirty-eight hundred dollars ($3800) be allowed for use of the schools of Dorchester and South Boston ($1900 to each).

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On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the allotment to the various high and grammar schools in South Boston and Dorchester, of the income of the Gibson Fund appropriated for use of said districts, be referred to Thomas J. Kenny with full powers.

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PETITION, BOWDITCH PARENTS' ASSOCIATION.

The following petition was received:—

To the School Committee:—

We, the undersigned, members of the Bowditch Parents' Association respectfully request that those children who are already members of the Bowditch School and who entered in good faith with permits in regular form granted by members of former school boards, be allowed to retain their membership until they complete their course in said school.

John M. Sullivan,
and three hundred forty-six others.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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COMMUNICATION: MOUNT HOPE CITIZENS' ASSOCIATION; APPROPRIATION FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Secretary of the Mount Hope Citizens' Association, under date of June 6, 1906, transmitting a copy of a communication addressed to His Honor the Mayor, setting forth that said association had adopted a resolution that in its opinion an appropriation at the rate of forty cents for each thousand dollars of the average valuation of the city, which the School Board has the right to appropriate for additional school accommodations, should be made this year for such purpose.

Placed on file.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

The Board took up the first order appended to the communication from the Board of Supervisors, laid over at the previous meeting, relative to the appointment and promotion of instructors, and printed in the proceedings on pages 133 and 134.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the order was laid on the table.

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COMPENSATION OF ELLEN B. MURPHY DURING LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the petition received at the last meeting from Ellen B. Murphy, teacher of cookery, that she be allowed her regular salary during her absence from Apr. 26 to May 13, 1906, subject to the usual deduction prescribed by the regulations for teachers absent on account of personal illness, was taken from the table.

Mr. William S. Kenny moved that the petition be granted.

Passed unanimously.

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SCHOOL SESSIONS, PRINCE DISTRICT.

A communication was received from Irving Winslow, under date of June 7, 1906, requesting a hearing upon the proposed change in the hours of session of the schools in the Prince District; also a communication from A. Lincoln Filene, under date of June 8, 1906, relative to the same matter.

Laid over, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the Secretary was instructed to give notice that the Board will grant a hearing on this matter at its next regular meeting to be held on Tuesday, June 19, 1906, at 8 o'clock P.M.

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REDUCTION OF EXPENSES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, item 8 in a communication received from the Board of Supervisors at the previous meeting, relative to reductions in school expenses, viz.,

(8) That the position of assistant instructors of foreign languages be abolished

was taken from the table. (See proceedings, page 130.)

On motion of the same member, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be instructed to transfer the two assistant instructors of foreign languages now employed, to the first available vacancies in the position of junior master in high schools at a corresponding salary, and that upon such transfers taking effect the position of assistant instructors of foreign languages be abolished.

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SCHOOLHOUSE CUSTODIAN.

A communication was received from the Civil Service Commission, under date of June 9, 1906, in response to an inquiry addressed to that Board, stating that no time has been fixed for the examination of candidates for appointment to the position of Schoolhouse Custodian, but if it is the wish of the School Committee to make an appointment they will hold an examination at an early date.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Civil Service Commission be requested to hold an examination of candidates for the position of Schoolhouse Custodian as soon as may be, for the assistance of this Board in making an appointment to that position.

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EMPLOYEES EXCUSED, MONDAY, JUNE 18.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the several officers of the Board be authorized to excuse the attendance on Monday, June 18, of those employees whose services can be dispensed with on that day without injury to the service.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 14, 1906.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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SCHOOLHOUSE CUSTODIAN.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved to rescind the order passed at the last meeting that the Civil Service Commission be requested to hold an examination of candidates for the position of Schoolhouse Custodian as soon as may be, for the assistance of this Board in making an appointment to that position.

The motion was lost, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the affirmative.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated that the meeting had been called especially for further consideration of the rules and regulations, and the Board accordingly proceeded to consider a proposed set of regulations.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:31 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 19, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the meeting of June 11, 1906, was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Board proceeded further to consider a proposed set of regulations.

SUNDRY APPROPRIATIONS FOR GIRLS' HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Girls' High School be allowed the following appropriations for the purposes named, for the school year 1906-07, it being the usual allowance:—

One hundred dollars ($100) for assistance in botanical laboratory.

One hundred dollars ($100) for plants and flowers for classes in botany.

Ten dollars ($10) for incidental expenses in botanical department.

Ten dollars ($10) for flowers in drawing classes.

APPROPRIATION FOR SOUTH BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the sum of fifty dollars ($50) be allowed the South Boston High School for assistance in the chemical laboratory.

PROPOSALS FOR SCIENTIFIC APPARATUS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the bids asked for from the L. E. Knott Apparatus Company, the Arthur W. Hall Scientific Company, and the Bausch and Lomb Optical Company be submitted to Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, he to have full powers to accept, in behalf of this Board, such bid or bids as he may deem best for the interests of the City.

KEYS TO SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That section 13 of the regulations governing the use of school buildings, as adopted at the meeting of June 4, be amended by striking out the last sentence of said section, viz., "No person shall be permitted to enter or to remain in a school building outside of school hours in the absence of the principal, or the teacher in charge, or the janitor," and substituting in place thereof the following: No person shall be permitted to enter or to remain in a school building outside of regular school hours unless the principal, or the teacher in charge, or the janitor is present.

SCHOOL SESSIONS, PRINCE DISTRICT.

In pursuance of the action taken at the meeting of June 11, the Chair announced that the Board would proceed with a hearing on the question of the change in school sessions in the Prince District.

Representative Jacob B. Ferber was the first speaker, and cited various objections to the change from one to two daily sessions. Erving Winslow followed, and also argued against any change. Richard D. Ware, who appeared as counsel for a committee of remonstrants, stated the results of a canvass made to ascertain the wishes of parents and guardians of pupils attending the schools of this district, a large majority of whom are opposed to the two session plan. Dr. C. D. Underhill and Dr. W. A. Hale also addressed the Committee in remonstrance, the latter presenting a petition from three hundred twenty-nine parents or guardians of children who have graduated from or who are now attending the schools in the Prince District for a reconsideration of the action taken by the Board, so that the schools in this district may continue to have but one daily session; also a communication from Carl Faelten, stating his objections to the two-session plan. Stanley Bishop, President of the Prince School Alumni Association, and J. Francis Beverly were also heard in remonstrance.

The hearing was then declared closed, the Committee taking the matter under further consideration.

INSTALLATION OF TELEPHONE SERVICE, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A proposition was received from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company, under date of May 31, 1906, to install coin boxes in the various public schools, the service to be established for one year only and without guarantee, except for toll calls, for which the Company will hold the city responsible, the new arrangement to supersede the present nickel-in-the-slot or pay station service. George A. Gore, of the Contract Department of that Company, appeared, and was heard on the subject.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the matter was referred to the Superintendent with full power to negotiate arrangements with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company for such service, and to report the result of such negotiation to this Board for approval.

SPECIAL CLASSES FOR BOYS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 18, 1906, in connection with the order passed at the meeting of June 4, stating that he had considered the question of establishing disciplinary classes for boys and recommending that such classes be established in the following-named schools: Bigelow, Harvard, Lyman, Eliot, Rice, and Lewis; also that pupils should be admitted to these classes only on recommendation of the assistant superintendent in charge of the district in which they reside; that teachers should be transferred to and from these classes from among the regular instructors; and that such teachers be paid at the rate of eight dollars ($8) per month in addition to the regular salary of their rank.

The communication was placed on file, the recommendations contained therein, excepting with regard to the compensation of teachers, unanimously adopted, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That teachers assigned to disciplinary classes be paid at the rate of eight dollars ($8) per month in addition to the regular salary of their rank for the year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE, CAROLINE K. NICKERSON.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 19, 1906, stating that he had considered the request of Silas C. Stone, Master of the Hyde School, that Caroline K. Nickerson, an assistant in that district, be allowed full pay during her absence on account of illness from Apr. 16 to June 26, 1906, referred June 11, and is of the opinion that the customary allowance of approximately half pay on account of personal illness is liberal, and that neither on account of long service nor exceptional severity of illness should the rule be departed from, and that the application should not be granted.

Placed on file.

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BOUNDARY LINES OF GASTON AND OLIVER HAZARD PERRY DISTRICTS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 19, 1906, recommending that the boundary lines of the Gaston and Oliver Hazard Perry Districts be established in accordance with the terms of the following orders, viz.:—

Gaston District, for Girls:

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Gaston District for girls shall be on and after Sept. 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the centre of Dorchester street on the northern shore; thence by the centres of Dorchester and G streets to the southern shore; thence by the water line to the foot of M street; thence by the centre of M street to Sixth street; thence by the centre of Sixth street to N street; thence by the centre of N street to the northern shore; thence by the water line to the point of beginning.

Oliver Hazard Perry District, for Boys and Girls.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Oliver Hazard Perry District for boys and girls shall be on and after Sept. 1, 1906, as follows:—

Boys—All that part of South Boston lying easterly and southeasterly of a line beginning at the water's edge on Dorchester Bay at the foot of M street; thence by the centre of M street to Sixth street; thence by the centre of Sixth street to O street; thence by the centre of O street to the water line of Boston Harbor.

Girls—All that part of South Boston lying easterly and southeasterly of a line beginning at the water's edge on Dorchester Bay at the foot of M street; thence by the centre of M street to Sixth street; thence by the centre of Sixth street to N street; thence by the centre of N street to the water line of Boston Harbor.

The communication was placed on file, and the orders successively passed.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:

Brimmer District—James Burrier, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 12, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:

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VACATION SCHOOLS, SEASON OF 1906.

Principals.

Albert S. Ames, Boston.
Murray H. Ballou, Boston.
Philip Davis, Boston.
James E. Downey, Boston.
Frank L. Keith, Boston.
John W. Lillis, Everett.
Maurice J. O'Brien, Braintree.
Joseph L. Powers, Boston.
William A. Reed, Boston.
James A. Treanor, Boston.

First Assistants.

Joseph P. Cady, Boston.
John J. Cummings, Boston.
Helen M. Donahue, Boston.
James T. Donovan, Boston.
Michael J. Downey, Boston.
Nellie E. Dunne, Boston.
Ellen M. Ford, Boston.
Anastasia Gannon, Boston.
Joseph F. Gould, E. Walpole.
Mary E. Jones, Boston.
Mildred Kallen, Boston.
Hugh J. McElaney, Boston.
Annie L. McGrory, Boston.
Alice L. McManus, Boston.
Anna G. Molloy, Randolph.
Margaret G. Moore, Boston.
Stephen J. Murdock, Boston.
Alice D. Murley, Boston.
Clara E. Nixon, Boston.
Katharine E. Neary, Boston.
Katharine G. O'Brien, Boston.
Joseph A. F. O'Neil, Boston.
Angela M. Pearce, Boston.
M. Cecelia Power, Boston.
John C. Riley, Boston.
Agnes G. Strong, Boston.
Alvin P. Wagg, Boston.
Mary A. Wogan, Boston.
Florence M. Young, Boston.

Substitute First Assistants.

Margaret A. M. Collins, Boston.
Samuel A. Cragin, Boston.
Maurice Ferber, Boston.
David Fliegelman, Boston.
Thomas E. Kelly, Boston.
Vincent L. Kelley, Boston.
William T. Miller, Boston.
John A. O'Keefe, Jr., Lynn.
Mary A. Starkey, Boston.

Assistants.

Mary T. Baker, Boston.
Deborah F. Barry, Boston.
Margaret M. Brennan, Boston.
May E. Briggs, Boston.
Alice S. Bryant, Boston.
Frances Burnce, Boston.
Grace M. Cavanagh, Boston.
Helen T. Chaplin, Boston.
Georgiana Charleston, Boston.
Helen M. Cleveland, Brookline.
Katharine L. Colbert, Boston.
Margaret A. M. Collins, Boston.
Grace G. Colman, Boston.
Alice M. Conley, Boston.
M. Estelle Conlin, Boston.
M. Louise Costello, Boston.
Margaret A. F. Cotter, Boston.
Mary E. Coveney, Boston.
Elinor G. Cowan, Boston.
Elleanor P. Cox, Boston.
Samuel A. Cragin, Boston.
Mary V. Cronin, Boston.
Katharine E. Cufflin, Boston.
Alice E. Cunningham, Boston.
Bertha E. Davis, Boston.
Mary A. Geary, Boston.
Christine E. Glynn, Boston.
Gertrude M. Glynn, Boston.
Helen G. Gormley, Boston.
Jennie A. Green, Boston.
Julia V. Guiney, Boston.
Regina M. Hart, Boston.
Mary M. Hayes, Boston.
Alice Healy, Boston.
Marian B. Healy, Boston.
Josephine M. Hodgkinson, Boston.
Catherine A. Hogan, Boston.
Constance Horsford, Boston.
Teresa C. Hoye, Boston.
Lucy F. Hunter, Boston.
Elizabeth Hutchings, West Medway.
Mary E. Jenkins, Boston.
Mary A. G. Jones, Boston.
Catherine G. Kelleher, Boston.
Thomas E. Kelley, Boston.
Louise C. Keyes, Boston.

Vincent L. Kelley, Boston.
Annie L. Killion, Boston.
Sara E. Kirwen, Boston.
Eleanor A. Larivee, Boston.
Lillie J. Davis, Boston.
Annie E. Dennis, Milton.
Emily M. Desmond, Boston.
Frances G. Dixon, Boston.
Helena M. Doherty, Boston.
Mary I. Donlan, Boston.
Geraldine I. Donoghue, Boston.
Julia E. Donovan, Boston.
Mary A. Dorgan, Boston.
Margaret M. Downing, Boston.
Veronica E. Doyle, Boston.
Margaret R. Dwyer, Boston.
Francis J. Emery, Boston.
Anna M. Doherty, Boston.
Sara G. Fay, Boston.
Mary E. Fennelly, Boston.
Maurice Ferber, Boston.
Linna M. Ferrer, Newton.
Agnes G. R. Fitzsimmons, Boston.
Katharine E. Flanagan, Boston.
David Fliegelman, Boston.
Elizabeth A. Flynn, Boston.
Helena M. Flynn, Boston.
Winifred M. Folan, Hopkinton.
Helen E. Fries, Boston.
Mary L. Leavey, Boston.
Rena Lewis, Boston.
Mary C. Locke, Boston.
Margaret K. Long, Boston.
Theresa F. Long, Boston.
Alice E. MacKusick, Boston.
Elinor Maher, Boston.
Agnes M. Mahoney, Boston.
Cecilia V. Mara, Boston.
Martha F. McElroy, Boston.
Eleanor L. McGourty, Boston.
Nellie J. McMorrow, Boston.
Esther L. McNellis, Boston.
Margaret J. McNulty, Boston.
Josephine A. Merrick, Boston.
Anna M. Meyer, Boston.
William T. Miller, Boston.
Alice F. Moore, Boston.
Anna E. Murphy, Boston.
Florence M. Murphy, Boston.
Katherine R. Murphy, Boston.
Alice M. Murray, Boston.
Ella F. Murray, Boston.
Theresa C. Murray, Boston.
Eva M. Neth, Boston.
Adeline M. Norton, Boston.
Linda C. O'Dowd, Boston.
John A. O'Keefe, Lynn.
Mary Justine O'Neill, Boston.
Marie V. O'Regan, Boston.
Aloyse M. Owen, Boston.
Minnie D. Penzanski, Boston.
Adelaide F. Perry, Boston.
Alice M. Russell, Boston.
Margaret L. Ryan, Boston.
Mabel A. Sawyer, Boston.
M. Teresa Sheerin, Boston.
Mary T. Sherry, Boston.
Emma M. Smith, Boston.
Mary E.Smith, Boston.
Mary E. Smith, Boston.
Sarah G. Stowers, Boston.
Catherine J. Sullivan, Boston.
Margaret M. Sullivan, Boston.
Mary C. Sullivan, Boston.
Mary V. Sullivan, Boston.
Eileene A. Sweeney, Boston.
Dorothy Taft, Westboro.
Caroline G. Trommer, Boston.
Caroline G. Tunis, Cambridge.
Elizabeth J. Turnbull, Boston.
Ada F. Wall, Boston.
Annie C. Webber, Boston.
Elisabeth S. Webster, Somerville.
Helen M. West, Boston.
Harriet White, Boston.
Arthur Williams, Boston.
Edna L. Williams, Boston.
Mary L. Moran, Boston.

Substitute Assistants.

Katherine C. Brady, Boston.
Alice L. Brummett, Boston.
Emma A. Brust, Boston.
Rebecca E. Carson, Boston.
Grace F. Cunningham, Boston.
Genevieve R. Dore, Boston.
Edith A. Duclos, Boston.
Susan S. Faden, Boston.
Mary A. Fouhey, Boston.
Elizabeth Greenman, Boston.
Lottie M. Murphy, E. Weymouth.
Eunice C. Hearn, Boston.
Marguerite R. Kenneally, Boston.
Nellie S. Sheehan, Newton.
Mary R. Stapleton, Boston.
Lillian M. Watts, Boston.
Gertrude E. Welch, Boston.

Heads of Playgrounds.

Miriam J. Bronski, Boston.
Margaret M. Burke, Boston.
Margaret C. Cotter, Boston.
Theresa F. Dupree, Boston.
Elizabeth L. Hopkins, Boston.
Margaret E. McCoy, Boston.
Margaret Mountain, Boston.
Elizabeth J. Murphy, Boston.
Mary A. Starkey, Boston.
Anna E. Theisinger, Boston.
Grace V. Walsh, Boston.
Gladys L. White, Boston.
Katherine F. Wilkinson, Boston.

Helpers in Playgrounds.

Gertrude A. Ahern, Boston.
Grace E. Brett, Boston.
Dorothy M. Carney, Boston.
Annie C. Coffee, Boston.
Margaret Cosgrove, Boston.
Margaret F. Cummings, Boston.
Elizabeth L. Dunican, Boston.
Rose J. Geggis, Boston.
Josephine M. Haney, Boston.
Caroline E. Hines, Boston.
Annie V. Hogan, Boston.
Natalie Irving, Boston.
Helen L. Leahy, Boston.
Gertrude F. Lyons, Boston.
Margaret McBrien, Boston.
Agnes McCloskey, Boston.
Mary M. McLaughlin, Boston.
Katherine R. Murphy, Boston.
M. Louise Murphy, Boston.
Marian Naiherseg, Boston.
Violet M. Nevins, Boston.
Margaret M. O'Brien, Boston.
Margaret M. O'Connor, Boston.
Ethel A. Owen, Boston.
Elizabeth L. Prendergast, Boston.
Bertha Quinnam, Boston.
Grace M. Quirk, Boston.
Anna Sansiper, Boston.
Ella A. Sweeney, Boston.
Gertrude M. Tobin, Boston.
Mary L. Veazie, Boston.
Catherine R. Walsh, Boston.

Substitute Helpers in Playgrounds

Rita G. Baker, Boston.
Anna C. Bosfield, Boston.
Olive F. Buckle, Boston.
Effie L. Evans, Boston.
Ella M. Dolben, Boston.
Lucy G. Frost, Boston.
Hannah Greenberg, Boston.
Regina P. Horton, Boston.
Mary T. Lynch, Boston.
Josephine M. O'Connor, Boston.
May F. Powers, Boston.
Mary J. Reidy, Boston.
Eleanor L. Rand, Boston.
Dora Reingold, Boston.
Honora G. Stack, Boston.
Agnes S. Tavender, Quincy.

Helpers in Sandgardens.

Mabel A. C. Anderson, Boston.
Florence A. Brady, Boston.
Louise M. DeVoto, Boston.
A. Grace Emery, Boston.
Elizabeth L. Holton, Boston.
Rose D. Hoye, Boston.
Alice L. Kelley, Boston.
Mary B. Lane, Boston.
Raphaella Langone, Boston.
Martha L. Lawless, Boston.
Irene C. Murray, Boston.
Florence Patrician, Boston.
Elizabeth M. Quigley, Boston.
Margaret Dempsey, Boston.

Matrons in Buildings.

Mary F. Connolly, Boston.
Hannah Donnelly, Boston.
Inez H. Garland, Boston.
Katherine H. Lane, Boston.
Anna M. McGrath, Boston.
Sarah E. McMahon, Boston.
Annie M. Trundy, Boston.
Elizabeth A. Woods, Boston.
Approved.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence, without pay, was granted the following-named teacher for the term specified:—

Dudley District—William L. Phinney, sub-master, from Sept. 1, 1906, until Sept. 1, 1907.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of fifty-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, those of three minors to be licensed to black boots, and that of one minor to be licensed to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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REAPPOINTMENTS OF INSTRUCTORS.

The Board proceeded to consider the annual reappointments of instructors to date from Sept. 1, 1906, as submitted by the Superintendent at the meeting of June 11 and acted thereon, as follows:—

To Serve During the Pleasure of the School Committee.

Hancock District—Ellen C. Sawtelle, Master.

Harvard District—Henry C. Parker, Master.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Michael E. Fitzgerald, Master.

Washington Allston District—William C. Crawford, Master.

Physical Training—Nathaniel J. Young, Assistant to Director.

Dorchester High School—Mabel S. Morse, Teacher of Physical Training.

East Boston High School—Sarah H. Jacobus, Teacher of Physical Training.

South Boston High School—Blanche A. Bemis, Teacher of Physical Training.

West Roxbury High School—Catharine L. Bigelow, Teacher of Physical Training.

Approved unanimously.

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To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Charlestown High School—George W. Evans, Head-Master.

High School of Commerce—Frank V. Thompson, Head-Master.

Blackinton District—Herbert L. Morse, Master.

Dillaway District—Mary C. Mellyn, Master.

Dwight District—Jason L. Curtis, Master.

Lowell District—E. Emmons Grover, Master.

Martin District—W. Lawrence Murphy, Master.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Charles N. Bentley, Master.

Sherwin District—Edward P. Shute, Master.

Shurtleff District—Agnes G. Gilfether, Master.

Thomas Gardner District—Charles F. Merrick, Master.

Washington District—Benjamin J. Hinds, Master.

Physical Training—Gordon Trowbridge, Assistant to Director.

Brighton High School—Sara L. Shaw, Teacher of Physical Training.

Dorchester High School—Mary F. Stratton, Teacher of Physical Training.

Girls' High School—J. Loretta Nagle, Teacher of Physical Training.

Approved unanimously.

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Also the reappointments of subordinate teachers of the several Normal, Latin, high, grammar, primary schools and kindergartens to serve during the pleasure of the School Committee, and for the term ending Aug. 31, 1907, said reappointments to date from Sept. 1, 1906, and contained in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election."

Approved.

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A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 19, 1906, reporting for approval the following reappointment:

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Brimmer District—James Burrier, assistant, Grammar School.

Approved.

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The following orders, the passage of which was recommended by the Superintendent at the meeting of June 11, 1906, were taken up and acted upon as stated:

ORDERED, That instructors in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, as contained and specified in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election," be allowed for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Passed.

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ORDERED, That instructors with higher rank than the regulations permit, in accordance with the recommendation of the Superintendent, as contained and specified in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election," be continued in the service for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Passed.

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ORDERED, That instructors now in the service in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, be re-elected without assignment to any particular school, the Superintendent to place them next September in schools in which vacancies regularly occur. They are:—

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Jennie M. Chandler, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Bennett District.

Adelaide M. Clarke and Grace G. Daly, assistants, Kindergarten, now in the Chapman District.

Fannie P. Walker, assistant, Kindergarten, now in the Charles Sumner District.

Mary L. Logan, assistant, Primary School, now in the Dudley District.

Josephine A. Coulahan, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Hancock District.

Mabel G. Berry, principal, Kindergarten, now in the Lewis District.

Alice B. Poor, assistant, Primary School, now in the Martin District.

Bessie E. Kennedy, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Norcross District.

Mary M. Crane, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Warren District.

Edith J. Jones, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Washington Allston District.

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On Probation.

Kate E. McMullin, assistant, Primary School, now in the Blackinton District.

Bernice A. Hill, assistant, Kindergarten, now in the Lyman District.

Eleanor G. Hutchinson, principal, Kindergarten, now in the Mather District.

Anna M. Cogan, assistant, Primary School, now in the Oliver Hazard Perry District.

Anna F. Maybury, assistant, Grammar School, now in the Roger Wolcott District.

Sara C. Bullard, principal, Kindergarten, now in the Winthrop District.
Passed.

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ORDERED, That the following-named instructor, who has a rank higher than that authorized by the regulations and who is in a school in which there is an extra teacher, be reelected without assignment to any school, the Superintendent to transfer her in September on the occurrence of a vacancy in which she may be placed:—

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Annie M. Niland, first assistant, Primary School, now in the Hancock District..
Passed.

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ORDERED, That unless the number of pupils in the primary school of the Robert G. Shaw District shall have increased sufficiently in September to warrant the retention of its present number of teachers, one of these teachers shall be transferred by the Superintendent to a school in some other district.
Passed.

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ORDERED, That instructors of a rank higher than the regulations allow, but not in excess of the authorized number, be reelected as follows, the question of their rank to be adjusted, by transfer or otherwise, by the Superintendent at the earliest opportunity:—

To Serve for the Term Ending Aug. 31, 1907.

Washington District—Nellie G. Kelley, first assistant, Primary School.

On Probation.

Roxbury High School—Joseph L. Powers, Junior Master.
Passed.

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ORDERED, That instructors with higher rank than the regulations permit be authorized until such time during the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907, as the Superintendent may adjust the question of their rank by transfer or otherwise, these instructors being now serving on tenure, as follows:—
Bunker Hill District—One first assistant, Grammar School.
Hugh O'Brien District—One first assistant, Primary School.
Passed.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, the vote whereby the preceding order was declared passed was reconsidered.
On motion of the same member, the order was amended by adding at the end thereof the following words:—
Robert G. Shaw District—One first assistant, Grammar School.
The order passed as amended.

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ORDERED, That in the Robert G. Shaw District, for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907, there shall be but one first assistant, Grammar School, and that the rank of Frances R. Newcomb, now first assistant, Grammar School, shall be reduced to that of assistant, Grammar School.
Placed on file.

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ORDERED, That ungraded classes in excess of the number allowed by the regulations, as specified in School Document No. 5, 1906, "Appointments for Re-election," are hereby authorized for the school year ending Aug. 31, 1907.
Passed.

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ADMISSION OF PUPILS TO CLASSES IN WOODWORKING.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 14, 1906, recommending that any pupil of twelve years of age or over, attending the public schools, may, with the permission of the supervisor in charge, be admitted to woodworking classes.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That any pupil of twelve years of age or over, may, with the consent of the supervisor in charge, be admitted to classes in woodworking.

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ANNUAL OUTING OF JANITORS' ASSOCIATION.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 19, 1906, transmitting an application from William M. Kendricken, Secretary of the Janitors' Association, that those janitors who so wish may be allowed to attend the annual outing of said association to be held on Monday, July 2, 1906.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the janitors of the various school-houses be allowed leave of absence, without loss of pay, on Monday, July 2, 1906, when the annual outing of the Janitors' Association is to take place; provided, that buildings in which repairs or alterations are being made shall be placed in charge of competent persons on that day without expense to the city.

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EAST BOSTON SCHOOL CADETS PERMITTED TO PARADE JULY 4.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the East Boston Battalion of the School Cadets be permitted to take part in the Carnival Parade to be held in East Boston on the morning of July 4, 1906.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAYROLLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of July, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. George E. Brock.

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On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills, both regular and special, for the month of August, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditing Clerk, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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PLAN FOR APPOINTMENT AND PROMOTION OF INSTRUCTORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the first order appended to a communication received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 4, 1906, relating to the appointment and promotion of instructors, and printed in the proceedings on pages 133 and 134, was taken up for action.
On motion of the same member, section 126, as contained in said order, was amended to read as follows:—
Sect. 126. Certificates shall cease to be valid as follows:—
2. Certificates issued on examination after June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid six years from date of issue, except as hereinafter provided.
3. Certificates issued on examination prior to June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid two years from date of issue, except as hereinafter provided.
4. Certificates issued to graduates of the Boston Normal School prior to June 1, 1906, shall cease to be valid June 1, 1912, except as hereinafter provided.
5. Certificates issued to graduates of the Boston Normal School after June 1, 1906,

shall cease to be vaild six years from date of issue, except as hereinafter provided.

6. Certificates issued on examination prior to June 1, 1906, and now valid by reason of renewal or of service in the city, shall cease to be valid June 1, 1908, except that regular high school certificates held by teachers now serving in permanent positions in the elementary day schools, shall cease to be valid June 1, 1912, except as hereinafter provided.

7. All certificates under which appointments are made to permanent positions in the day school service shall remain valid during the term of such service and for two years after the holder thereof has ceased such service.

8. All certificates, except those under which appointments are made to permanent positions in the day school service, cease to be valid when the names of the holders are removed from the eligible lists.

9. All certificates are non-renewable, but the Board of Supervisors may issue instead thereof substitute certificates which shall entitle the holder to serve as substitute or temporary teacher, as special assistant, and in Evening and Vacation Schools under such conditions and limitations as the Board of Supervisors may decide.

10. Any certificate may be revoked by the Board of Supervisors if, in its opinion, the good of the service so demands.

The order as amended passed.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 10:43 o'clock P. M., to meet on Wednesday, June 20, 1906, at 7 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL SAN FRANCISCO

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 20,1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the meeting of June 14 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Board proceeded further to consider a set of proposed regulations, which, on motion of Mr. Ellis, were adopted.

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SPECIAL TEACHERS, HOUSEHOLD SCIENCE AND ARTS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the teacher of household science and arts in the Normal and high schools shall be that of supervisor of household science and arts, and that the former position be discontinued.

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On motion of the same member, it was
ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the teacher of household arts and sciences in the Roxbury High School shall be that of assistant, high school, and that the former position be discontinued.

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ELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT AND ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the election of a Superintendent and Assistant Superindendents was specially assigned to the next regular meeting to be held on Monday, June 25, 1906.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:30 o'clock P.M. to meet Thursday, June 21, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 21, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Board proceeded to consider a set of proposed rules.

PENSIONS FOR TEACHERS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, Messrs. Brock and Ellis were appointed a committee to prepare and lay before the Board at its first meeting in September a plan for pensions for the teaching force, together with a bill to be submitted to the Legislature embodying such provisions as may be necessary to put the plan into operation.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 9:45 o'clock P.M. to meet on Saturday, June 23, at 7 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 23, 1906.

An adjourned meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building at 7 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Ellis.

SALARIES OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salaries of the Assistant Superintendents be established at the rate of forty-five hundred dollars ($4,500) per annum, each, to date from Sept. 1, 1906, and until otherwise ordered.

ANNUAL SCHEDULE OF SALARIES FOR TEACHERS.

The committee proceeded to consider in detail the annual schedule of salaries for teachers for the year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Superintendent was requested to consider and report with regard to the arrangement for maintaining a school on Spectacle Island, and the compensation of the teacher of that school.

The committee also considered an application from John D. O'Reilly, assistant to the director of physical training in charge of school athletics for an increase of salary, under date of Apr. 16, 1906.

Placed on file.

Final action on the salary schedule was deferred until the next meeting.

EMPLOYMENT OF TEACHERS IN EXCESS OF REGULATIONS AND ISSUE OF CERTIFICATES TO LABORATORY ASSISTANTS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 23, 1906, recommending the passage of the following orders:—

ORDERED, That teachers now employed in high and Latin schools in excess of the regulations may, in the discretion of the Superintendent, be employed for the year ending Aug. 31, 1907.

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to issue certificates, special assistant, high school, to the laboratory assistants now serving in the English High and the Mechanic Arts High Schools.

ORDERED, That the Board of Supervisors is hereby authorized to issue a high school certificate, special, to Margaret C. Brawley, now holding the position of laboratory assistant, Girls' High School.

The communication was placed on file, and the orders successively passed.

MEDALS FOR PROFICIENCY IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

A communication was received from Mrs. Helen F. Yeaton, Regent of the Col. Thomas Gardner Chapter, D. A. R., under date of June 19, 1906, stating the desire of that chapter to award medals to pupils in the high and grammar schools of Ward 25 for proficiency in American history.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report at the next meeting of the Board.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

June 25, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the proceedings of June 19, 20 and 21 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, ABERDEEN DISTRICT.

James A. McGeough appeared and was heard with regard to the providing of additional school accommodations in the Aberdeen District, recommending that the second room in the Aberdeen School-house be occupied for school purposes.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

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BIDS FOR MANUAL TRAINING SUPPLIES.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk obtain bids for manual training supplies ordered by the Principal of Manual Training Schools, and that said bids, when obtained, be referred to Mr. Thomas J. Kenny with full power to act thereon in behalf of this Board.

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USE OF SCHOOL PREMISES FOR ELECTION PURPOSES.

A communication was received from the Board of Election Commissioners, under date of June 19, 1906, requesting permission to use one-half of the playroom on the first floor of premises numbered 63 Warrenton street, rented for school purposes, as a voting precinct on four different days during the coming fall, the communication stating that such use will not interfere with the sessions of the school, as there is a separate entrance, and the permission if granted will obviate the necessity of placing a voting booth in the street nearly opposite the building, which would remain there fully five months, and inconvenience the pupils attending this school; also a communication from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of June 25, 1906, stating that that Board sees no reasonable objection to the granting of the request.

The communications were placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the application was approved, provided that the temporary partition which the Board of Election Commissioners proposes to erect in connection with such use of the premises be put up after school hours on the day before the room is to be used for voting purposes and be removed before the opening of school on the day following such use.

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A communication was received from the Board of Election Commissioners, under date of June 19, 1906, requesting permission to place on school buildings or premises, where necessary, voting list boards, about two by three feet, in accordance with the custom for years, said application being made because some janitors have questioned the right of the employees of the Election Department to place such boards without an order to that effect.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the aforesaid application was approved.

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SEATING CAPACITY OF SCHOOL HALLS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of June 21, 1906, in response to the action taken by the Board at its meeting of Mar. 2, containing a statement of the seating capacity of the halls of the several high and grammar school-houses.

Placed on file.

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WITHDRAWAL OF APPOINTMENTS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, withdrawing the following appointments made by him at the meeting of June 11:—

On Probation.

Physical Training—William J. Holland, John D. O'Reilly, Assistants to Director, to take charge of school athletics.

Approved.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

Roxbury High School—Charlotte A. Maynard, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

Agassiz District—Mary A. Gott, first assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1906.

Gilbert Stuart District—E. Mabel Gibson, principal, Kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the regulations, were presented:—

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Medical Inspector—Arthur C. Jelly, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Supervisor of Substitutes—Mary C. Mellyn, third year, from Sept. 12, 1906.

The Chair directed the Secretary to call the roll, and the appointment was approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

Nays—0.

High School of Commerce—Lyman G. Smith, master, head of the department of science, from Sept. 12, 1906; Joel Hatheway, junior-master, head of the department of modern languages, second year, from Sept. 12, 1906; Henry W. Holmes, junior-master, head of the department of English, fourth year, from Sept. 12, 1906; Ernest V. Page, junior-master, head of the department of business technique, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Public Latin School—Herbert H. Yeames, instructor, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—John C. Brodhead, assistant to the director in manual training, from Sept. 1, 1906.

Physical Training—John D. O'Reilly, instructor in athletics, from Sept. 1, 1906; William J. Holland, assistant instructor in athletics, from Sept. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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TRANSFER.

South Boston High School—Myron W. Richardson, junior-master, to the same position in the Roxbury High School, to date from Sept. 12, 1906.

Placed on file.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher, without pay, for the term specified:—

Everett District—Helen J. Scott, assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Mar. 12, 1907.

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On the recommendation of the Superintendent, leave of absence on half-pay was granted Samuel J. Bullock, Master of the Bunker Hill School, from Sept. 1, 1906, to Sept. 1, 1907, and his resignation was accepted to take effect on the latter date.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of fifty-four minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, of seven to be licensed to black boots, and of one to be licensed to act as a pedler.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE, CHARLESTOWN HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 11, 1906, recommending that the permanent substitute with the rank of assistant now employed in the Charlestown High School be continued in that position for another year; also the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the employment of a permanent substitute with the rank of assistant in the Charlestown High School is hereby authorized for the school year 1906-07.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

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BOUNDARIES OF VARIOUS DISTRICTS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 25, 1906, recommending the passage of orders providing for changes in the boundary lines of the Dillaway, Dudley, Dwight, Everett, Hyde, Lewis, Martin, Prince and Sherwin Districts, in accordance with the following orders:—

Dillaway District, for Girls.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Dillaway District for girls shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the centers of Ruggles, Tremont, Texas, Elmwood and Gardner streets to Centre street; thence by the rear of the northwesterly side of Centre street to Marcella street; thence by both sides of Marcella, Washington, Elmore and Kensington streets to Bainbridge street; thence by the center of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by both sides of Dale street to Regent street; thence by the centers of Regent and Circuit streets to Warren street; thence by the center of Warren street to Harrison avenue; thence by the center of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the center of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

Dudley District, for Boys.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Dudley District for boys shall on and after September 1, 1906, be as follows:—

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the center of Ruggles street to Tremont street; thence by the centers of Tremont street and Columbus avenue to Cedar street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Columbus avenue to New Heath street; thence by the rear of the northerly side of New Heath street to Centre street; thence by the center of Centre street to Marcella street; thence by both sides of Marcella, Washington, Elmore and Kensington streets to Bainbridge street; thence by the center of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by both sides of Dale street to Regent street; thence by the center of Regent street to Warren street; thence by the centers of Warren street and Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centers of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

Dwight District, for Boys.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Dwight District for boys shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the east end of Canton street; thence by the center of Canton street to the Boston and Providence Railroad; thence by said railroad to Camden street; thence by the center of Camden street to Columbus avenue; thence by the center of Columbus avenue to Westfield street; thence by the centers of Westfield and Tremont streets to Kendall street; thence by the rear of the northeasterly side of Kendall street to Shawmut avenue; thence by the center of Shawmut avenue to Woodbury street; thence by the centers of Woodbury and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centers of Harrison avenue and Northampton street to the former boundary line between Boston and Roxbury; thence by said boundary line to the South Bay; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

Everett District, for Girls.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Everett District for girls shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the east end of Canton street; thence by the rear of the north side of Canton street to the Boston and Providence Railroad; thence by said railroad to Camden street; thence by the center of Camden street to Columbus avenue; thence by the center of Columbus avenue to Westfield street; thence by the centers of Westfield and Lenox streets to Sawyer street; thence by the rear of the northeasterly side of Sawyer, Woodbury and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centers of Harrison avenue and Northampton street to the former boundary line between Boston and Roxbury; thence by the said boundary line to South Bay; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

Hyde District, for Girls.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Hyde District for girls shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the center of Ruggles to Parker street; thence by the rear of the westerly sides of Parker and Hemenway streets to Bryant street; thence by the center of Hemenway street to Gainsborough street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Gainsborough street to the Boston and Providence Railroad; thence by the centers of Camden street and Columbus avenue to Westfield street; thence by the centers of Westfield and Lenox streets to Sawyer street; thence by the rear of the northeasterly sides of Sawyer, Woodbury and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the center of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centers of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

Lewis District, for Boys and Girls.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Lewis District for boys and girls shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

BOYS: Beginning at the junction of Dale and Regent streets; thence by the center of Regent street to Warren street; thence by the center of Warren street to Winthrop street; thence by the centers of

Winthrop street and Blue Hill avenue to Maywood street; thence by the rear of the northerly side of Maywood street to Warren street; thence by the center of Warren street to Blue Hill avenue; thence by the centers of Blue Hill avenue and Seaver street to Humboldt avenue; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Humboldt avenue to Townsend street; thence by the centers of Townsend and Washington streets to Marcella street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Washington street to Elmore street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Elmore street to Kensington street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Kensington street to Bainbridge street; thence by the center of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Dale street to the point of beginning.

GIRLS: Beginning at the junction of Dale and Regent streets; thence by the centers of Regent and Circuit streets, Walnut avenue and Warren street to Winthrop street; thence by the centers of Winthrop street and Blue Hill avenue to Maywood street; thence by the rear of the northerly side of Maywood street to Warren street; thence by the center of Warren street to Blue Hill avenue; thence by the centers of Blue Hill avenue and Seaver street to Humboldt avenue; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Humboldt avenue to Townsend street; thence by the centers of Townsend and Washington streets to Marcella street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Washington street to Elmore street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Elmore street to Kensington street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Kensington street to Bainbridge street; thence by the center of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Dale street to the point of beginning.

Martin District, for Boys and Girls.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Martin District for boys and girls shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the junction of Ruggles and Parker streets; thence by the rear of the westerly sides of Parker and Hemenway streets to Bryant street; thence by the center of Bryant street to the Fenway; thence by the center of the Fenway in a westerly direction to the Brookline boundary line; thence by said boundary line to Huntington avenue; thence by the center of Huntington avenue to Parker Hill avenue; thence by the rear of the westerly and southerly sides of Parker Hill avenue to Parker street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Parker street to Tremont street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Tremont street to Phillips street; thence by the center of Phillips street to Smith street; thence by the center of Smith street to Parker street; thence by the center of Parker street to the point of beginning.

Prince District, for Boys and Girls.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Prince District for boys and girls shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the water opposite the foot of Massachusetts avenue; thence by the water to Otter street; thence by the center of Otter to Beacon street; thence by both sides of Beacon street to Charles street; thence by the centers of Park Square, Charles street and Columbus avenue to the Boston and Albany Railroad; thence by said railroad to the Boston and Providence Railroad; thence by the Boston and Providence railroad to Gainsborough street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Gainsborough street to Hemenway street; thence by the center of Hemenway street to Bryant street; thence by the center of Bryant street to the Fenway; thence by the center of the Fenway in a westerly direction to the Brookline boundary line; thence by said boundary line to Commonwealth avenue; thence by both sides of Commonwealth avenue to Essex street; thence by the center of Essex street to Essex street bridge; thence by the bridge to the water; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

Sherwin District, for Boys.

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Sherwin District for boys shall be on and after September 1, 1906, as follows:—

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the center of Ruggles street to Parker street; thence by the rear of the westerly sides of Parker and Hemenway streets to Bryant street; thence by the center of Hemenway street to Gainsborough street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Gainsborough street to the Boston and Providence Railroad; thence by the centers of Camden street and Columbus avenue to Westfield street; thence by the centers of Westfield and Tremont streets to Kendall street; thence by the rear of the northeasterly side of Kendall street to Shawmut avenue; thence by the center of Shawmut avenue to Woodbury street; thence by the centers of Woodbury and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the center of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centers of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

The communication was placed on file, and the orders passed.

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CLERICAL ASSISTANCE, OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to employ such clerical assistance as he may find necessary for the proper transaction of the business of his office, such assistance to be paid for at a rate not exceeding one dollar and a half ($1.50) per day for each person employed.

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On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the employment of a temporary stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent, to be paid for service rendered at the rate of fifty dollars ($50) per month during the absence of the regular stenographer and typewriter, be authorized.

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On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That Alice G. Carr be paid the sum of fifteen dollars ($15) for services rendered as a temporary clerk in the office of the Superintendent from June 15 to June 25, 1906.

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INSTALLATION OF TELEPHONE SERVICE, SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of June 21, 1906, reporting that in accordance with the action taken by the Board at its meeting of June 19, he has made arrangements with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to place telephones in seventy-nine of the public schools, and recommending the passage of the following orders:—

ORDERED, That the Auditing Clerk enter into a contract with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to equip the following-named school buildings with telephones in the four party line, coin-box service, without guarantee except for tolls:—

Public Latin School, Girls' Latin School, Brighton High School, Charlestown High School, Dorchester High School, East Boston High School, English High School, Girls' High School, Mechanic Arts High School, Roxbury High School, South Boston High School, West Roxbury High School.

Grammar Schools.

Agassiz, Bennett, Bigelow, Blackinton, Paul Jones, Francis Parkman, Bowditch, Bowdoin, Brimmer, Bunker Hill, Chapman, Charles Sumner, Chris. Gibson, Comins, Dearborn, Dillaway, Dwight, Edward Everett, Eliot, Emerson, Everett, Franklin, Frothingham, Gaston, George Putnam, Gilbert Stuart, Harvard, Henry L. Pierce, Hugh O'Brien, Hyde, Jefferson, John A. Andrew, Lawrence, Lewis, Sarah J. Baker, Lincoln, Longfellow, Lowell, Lyman, Martin, Mary Hemenway, Mather, Minot, Norcross, Phillips, Phillips Brooks, Howard Avenue, Prescott, Prince, Quincy, Rice, Robert G. Shaw, Roger Wolcott, Tileston, Sherwin, Shurtleff, Thomas N. Hart, Thomas Gardner, William Wirt Warren, Warren, Washington, Washington Allston, Wells, Wm. E. Russell, Winthrop, Oliver Wendell Holmes, Oliver Hazard Perry.

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ORDERED, That an additional telephone be placed in the Mason-street Building for the use of the assistant superintendents and the Supervisor of Substitutes.

The communication was placed on file, and the orders passed.

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PIANOLAS IN SCHOOLS, EXPERIMENTAL USE OF.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 20, 1906, recommending that permission be given the Aeolian Company of New York to place, without expense to the city, pianolas in three schools to be designated by the Superintendent, said instruments to be used in connection with certain experiments now being made in the study of musical appreciation under the direction of the Committee on Music of the Board of Supervisors.

Placed on file, and the recommendation approved.

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COURSE OF STUDY IN GEOGRAPHY FOR GRAMMAR GRADES.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 25, transmitting a course of study in geography in print and bearing date of Mar. 29, 1904, prepared by a committee of masters and teachers appointed by the Superintendent for this purpose, and recommending its adoption as a course of study in geography for the grammar grades.

The communication was placed on file and the accompanying course of study adopted.

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COURSE OF STUDY IN ARITHMETIC FOR FIRST THREE GRADES.

A communication was received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 25, 1906, transmitting a course of study in arithmetic for the first three grades, prepared by a committee of masters and teachers appointed by the Superintendent for the purpose, and recommending its adoption for the school year 1906-07.

Placed on file, and the accompanying course adopted for the period stated.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 22, 1906, reporting the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors from June 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, SAVIN HILL PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 25, 1906, stating that portable building No. 21, formerly located in the yard of the Howard-avenue School, has been placed in the yard of the Savin Hill School, and recommending that Laura Reed, janitor of the main school-house, be appointed to the janitorship of the portable building, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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JANITORSHIP, OLD EDWARD EVERETT PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 25, 1906, stating that portable building No. 22, formerly located in the yard of the Howard-avenue School, has been placed in the yard of the old Edward Everett School, and recommending that George L. Chessman, janitor of the latter building, be appointed to the janitorship of the portable building, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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JANITORSHIP, WINTHROP-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 25, 1906, recommending that John J. Dignon, janitor of the Mt. Pleasant-avenue Schoolhouse, who was also janitor of the Winthrop-street School-house until its use was discontinued in January, 1906, on the opening of the Sarah J. Baker School-house, be reappointed to the Winthrop-street building, which is to be occupied by the High School of Commerce, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the reappointment approved.

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CONSUMPTION OF FUEL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 22, 1906, containing a comparative statement of the consumption of fuel in the various school-houses for the years 1904-05 and 1905-06, based upon estimates obtained from the janitors, and stating that instructions have been issued to such employees to keep hereafter a more accurate account of the fuel delivered, consumed, and on hand, so that in the future more accurate comparisons may be made.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Schoolhouse Custodian was directed to investigate the conditions in such buildings where the consumption of fuel in 1905-06 has exceeded that of the previous year.

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BILL OF THOMAS F. DURKIN.

A bill was received from Thomas F. Durkin, janitor of the Rice School-house, under date of June 8, 1906, in the sum of five dollars ($5) for extra service rendered on June 8 and 9, 1906.

Placed on file.

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VACATION KINDERGARTEN CONDUCTED BY THE HEBREW INDUSTRIAL SCHOOL AUXILIARY.

An application was received from Sophie M. Friedman for the use of a room in the Mayhew, Wells or Washington Schoolhouses for vacation school purposes, from July 9 to Aug. 18, 1906, inclusive.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the application was approved subject to the same terms and conditions as for the previous year.

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TEXT-BOOKS IN PHYSIOLOGY AND HYGIENE.

The following petition was received:—

To the Honorable School Committee of Boston, Massachusetts:—

Inasmuch as the achieving ability of the

people of our state as well as their future intelligent sobriety depends upon the thorough instruction of our children in the physiological reasons for obeying the laws of health including those which teach abstinence from alcoholic liquors and other narcotics, and

Inasmuch as Boston is the recognized center of educational influence in our state, and its most populous city, we deem it of the utmost importance not only to the 94,000 school children of this city but also to the entire population of our commonwealth, that the text-books on Physiology and Hygiene selected for use in our public schools should continue to teach the whole truth concerning the nature and insidious effects of alcoholic drinks and other narcotics upon the human system as revealed by the latest discoveries of experimental science, therefore,

We, the undersigned citizens of Boston, representatives of local temperance societies (which are integral parts of state and national organizations), to whom has been intrusted the promotion of the educational work of our several societies, do respectfully request your honorable Board

FIRST—That you provide the teachers in the three primary grades with an oral lesson book in Physiology and Hygiene to be used as a guide in instructing the 33,000 children committed to their care, and

SECOND—That in selecting additional books on this subject to be used as text and reference books by teachers and pupils of the public schools, you continue to maintain the high standard already established in our city, excluding those text-books on Physiology and Hygiene prepared by Professor H. W. Conn and also those by Dr. William O. Krohn, because notwithstanding the excellencies of these books they now fail to teach the whole truth regarding narcotics as shown by modern science.

Signed.

Katharine Lent Stevenson,
President of Massachusetts W. C. T. U., and ten others.

Placed on file.

RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Board proceeded to give renewed consideration to a set of proposed rules, which, on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, were adopted.

SALARY SCHEDULE FOR TEACHERS.

The Board proceeded to consider a salary schedule for teachers for the ensuing year as follows:—

1. ORDERED, That the salaries of teachers of the public schools be fixed for the year ending August 31, 1907, as contained in the following schedule:—

NORMAL SCHOOL.

Head-Master, first year $3204, annual increase $144, maximum $3780 00
Masters, first year $2340, annual increase $144, maximum 3204 00
Junior-Masters, first year $1476, annual increase $144, maximum 2628 00
Assistants, first year $1140, annual increase $60, maximum 1620 00
Instructor in Drawing 2508 00

LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Head-Masters appointed before June 1, 1906 ..... $3780 00
Head-Masters appointed after June 1, 1906, first year $3204, annual increase $144, maximum 3780 00
Masters who are heads of departments; first year $2340, annual increase $144, maximum 3204 00
Masters appointed before June 1, 1906 ..... 3060 00
Junior-Masters, appointed before June 1, 1906; first year $1476, annual increase for eleven years $144, salary for the twelfth and subsequent years with the rank of Master 3060 00
Junior-Masters appointed after June 1, 1906; first year $1476, annual increase $144, maximum 2628 00
Instructors, appointed before June 1, 1906; first year $1500, annual increase $120, maximum 2340 00
Instructors, appointed after June 1, 1906; first year $1200, annual increase $120, maximum 2040 00
Assistant Instructors, appointed before June 1, 1906; first year $972, annual increase $72, maximum 1620 00
Assistant Instructors, appointed after June 1, 1906; first year $900, annual increase $72, maximum 1548 00
Assistant Principals, first year $1620, annual increase $72, maximum 1836 00
The rank of assistant principal shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.
Assistants, first year $972, annual increase $72, maximum 1620 00
Instructor of Metal Working (Mechanic Arts High School) 2580 00
The rank of instructor of metal working shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbent.
Special Assistant Instructors (Mechanic Arts High School); first year $600, annual increase $72, maximum 960 00
Special Assistants, first year $480, annual increase, $60, maximum 600 00
Special Assistants in Mechanical Department, Mechanic Arts High School; per day, first year $1.50, second and subsequent years 2 00

SPECIAL INSTRUCTORS, LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Chemistry.

Special Instructor in Chemistry, Girls' High School $1620 00
Special Assistant Instructor in Chemistry, Girls' High School; first year $900, annual increase $72, maximum 1548 00

Commercial Branches.

Special Instructors, first year $1200, annual increase $120, maximum $2040 00
Special Assistant Instructors, first year $900, annual increase $72, maximum 1548 00

Drawing.

Special Instructor in Drawing, English High School $2508 00
Special Instructors in Drawing and Manual Training, appointed before June 1, 1906; first year $1500, annual increase $120, maximum 2340 00
Special Instructors in Drawing and Manual Training, appointed after June 1, 1906; first year $1440, annual increase $120, maximum 2040 00
Special Assistant Instructors in Drawing, first year $900, annual increase $72, maximum 1548 00

Modern Languages.

Assistant Instructors (2) $1800 00
The position of assistant instructor, modern languages, shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.
Special Instructor in German, Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools 1800 00
Special Instructor in French, Roxbury High School 1200 00
Special Instructor in French, South Boston High School 1200 00

Physical Training.

Special Instructors in Physical Training, appointed before June 1, 1906 ..... $1200 00
Special Instructors in Physical Training, appointed after June 1, 1906; first year $900, annual increase $72, maximum 1188 00
Special Assistant Instructors in Physical Training; first year $612, annual increase $72, maximum 900 00

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

Masters, first year $2580, annual increase $120, maximum.....$3180 00
Sub-Masters, first year $1500, annual increase $120, maximum..... 2340 00
Masters' Assistants, first year $972, annual increase $48, maximum..... 1212 00
First Assistants, Grammar Schools; first year $972, annual increase $48, maximum 1212 00
The rank of first assistant in grammar schools shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.
First Assistants, Primary Schools; first year $984, annual increase $48, maximum 1080 00
The rank of first assistant in primary schools shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.
First Assistant in Charge, first year $972, annual increase $48, maximum..... 1116 00
Assistants, first year $552, annual increase $48, maximum..... 936 00
Assistants in Special Classes, first year $936, annual increase $48, maximum.... 1032 00
Special Assistants in the Grades, per day 1 50

KINDERGARTENS.

First Assistants, first year $624, increase for the second year $24, annual increase for the third and subsequent years $48, maximum $792 00
Assistants, first year $432, annual increase $48, maximum..... 624 00
Special Assistants, per day..... 1 25

EVENING SCHOOLS.

Director of Evening and Vacation Schools, first year $1980, annual increase $120, maximum $2580 00

High Schools.

Principal, Central School, per week..... $50 00
Principals, local schools, per week..... 30 00
Special Assistant, Central School, per week 18 00
Special Assistants, local schools, per week 14 00
Assistants, per evening..... 4 00
Special Teacher of Penmanship, Central School, per evening..... 2 50
Special Assistants, Typewriting Departments, per evening..... 2 00
Laboratory Assistants, per evening..... 2 00
Pianists, per evening..... 1 50

Elementary Schools and Educational Centres.

Principals, per week..... $20 00
First Assistants, per evening..... 2 50
Assistants, per evening..... 2 00
Interpreters, per evening..... 2 00

Drawing Schools.

Masters, per evening..... $10 00
The rank of master in evening drawing schools shall be abolished as the position becomes vacant by the retirement of the present incumbents.
Principals, per evening, first year $7, second year and subsequently..... 8 00
Assistants, per evening, first year $4, second year $5, third year and subsequently 6 00

HORACE MANN SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF.

Principal, first year $2580, annual increase $120, maximum.....$3180 00
Assistant Principal, first year $1152, annual increase $72, maximum..... 1440 00
Assistants, first year $780, annual increase $72, maximum..... 1284 00

SPECIAL DEPARTMENTS.

Drawing and Manual Training.

Director of Drawing and Manual Training.$3000 00
Assistant Director of Drawing and Manual Training..... 2508 00
Assistant to Director in Manual Training, first year $1500, annual increase $120, maximum 2340 00
Assistants to Director in Drawing (3).... 1500 00
Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools..... 1200 00
Assistant Instructors in Manual Training, Elementary Schools; first year $804, annual increase $48, maximum..... 996 00

Household Science and Arts.

Supervisor, first year $1212, annual increase $72, maximum.....1500 00
Instructors in Schools of Cookery, first year $552, annual increase $48, maximum 936 00

Sewing.

Teachers appointed before August 31, 1905, and whose time is not fully occupied:
One division..... $144 00
Two divisions..... 240 00
Three divisions..... 336 00
Four divisions..... 432 00
Five divisions..... 516 00
Six divisions..... 588 00
Seven divisions..... 660 00
Eight divisions..... 732 00
Nine divisions..... 792 00
Ten divisions..... 840 00
Eleven divisions..... 888 00
All over eleven divisions..... 936 00
Teachers appointed after August 31, 1905, first year $552, annual increase $48, maximum 936 00

Kindergartens.

Director, first year $1212, annual increase $72, maximum.....1500 00

Military Drill.

Instructor $2004 00
Armorer 1050 00

Music.

Director $3000 00
Assistant Directors, first year $2004, annual increase $72, maximum..... 2652 00
Assistants, first year $996, annual increase $48, maximum..... 1236 00

Physical Training.

Director $3000 00
Assistant Director..... 2280 00
Assistant Director..... 1800 00
Instructor in Athletics..... 1116 00
Assistant Instructor in Athletics..... 756 00

Special Classes.

Medical Inspector.....$1008 00
Assistants, first year $936, annual increase $48, maximum..... 1032 00

SUPERVISOR OF SUBSTITUTES.

Supervisor of Substitutes, first year $2580, annual increase $120, maximum.....$3180 00

2. ORDERED, That the compensation of substitutes and of temporary teachers be fixed at the following rates for each day of actual service, — one-session days being reckoned as full days, for the year ending August 31, 1907:—

Masters and Junior-Masters, Normal, Latin and High Schools..... $5 00
Instructors, Latin and High Schools..... 4 00
Assistants, Normal School..... 4 00
Assistants, Latin and High Schools..... 3 00
Assistant Instructors, Latin and High Schools 2 00
Special Instructors, Latin and High Schools 4 00
Special Assistant Instructors, Latin and High Schools..... 2 00
Sub-Masters 4 00
Masters' Assistants, First Assistants, and Assistants in Charge..... 3 00
Assistants, Elementary Schools..... 2 00
First Assistants, Kindergartens..... 1 75
Assistants, Kindergartens..... 1 50
Instructors, Cookery, Sewing and Woodworking 2 00

and that the compensation of substitutes and of temporary teachers of other ranks than those enumerated herein shall be one four-hundredth part of the minimum salary of the respective ranks for each day of actual service, for the year ending August 31, 1907.

3. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the assistant director of drawing who gives instruction in the Normal School shall be that of instructor in drawing, Normal School.

4. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teacher of drawing in the English High School shall be that of special instructor in drawing, English High School.

5. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teacher of manual training and mechanical drawing in the Dorchester High School shall be that of special instructor in drawing and manual training, and said instructor shall continue on his present salary until his next anniversary, when he shall be placed upon the next higher salary in the new schedule for instructors appointed before June 1, 1906, and continue to advance until the maximum is reached.

6. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teachers of drawing in the Dorchester, Roxbury, South Boston and West Roxbury High Schools shall be that of special assistant instructors in drawing, and said instructors shall continue on their present salary until the fifth anniversary of their respective appointments, when they shall be placed upon the fifth year of the new schedule, viz., $1260, and continue to advance until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

7. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the principal of manual training schools shall be that of assistant director of drawing and manual training, and that the former position be discontinued.

8. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teacher of chemistry, Girls' High School, shall be that of special instructor in chemistry in said school.

9. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the laboratory assistant in the Girls' High School shall be that of special assistant instructor in chemistry, Girls' High School, and that she be placed upon the second year of the schedule for that position, viz., $972, and continue to advance until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

10. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the laboratory assistant in the Roxbury High School shall be that of assistant instructor, and that he be placed upon the second year of the new schedule for that position, viz., $972, and continue to advance until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

11. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the laboratory assistants in the English and Mechanic Arts High Schools shall be that of special assistants, high schools, and that they be placed upon the second year of the schedule for that position, viz., $540, and continue to advance until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

12. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the instructors of commercial branches, high schools, shall be that of special assistant instructors in commercial branches, and such teachers who, on Sept. 1, 1902, were receiving a salary of twelve hundred dollars ($1200) per annum, shall continue on said salary until the fifth anniversary of their respective appointments, when they shall be placed upon the sixth year of the schedule for special assistant instructors of commercial branches, and continue to advance until the maximum of the rank is reached.

13. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of Celia F. Stacy, instructor in commercial branches, Roxbury High School, shall be that of assistant, and that she be placed upon the fifth year of service in the new rank upon her next anniversary, and continue to advance until the maximum is reached.

14. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of Ruth E. Hubbard, instructor of commercial branches, South Boston High School, shall be that of assistant, and that she be placed upon the fifth year of service in the new rank upon her next anniversary; and continue to advance until the maximum is reached.

15. ORDERED, That the salary of Marion W. Clark, assistant, Roxbury High School, be fixed at the rate of $1200 per annum until the fourth anniversary of her appointment, when she shall be advanced to the fifth year of service in her rank, and continue to advance until the maximum is reached.

16. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teacher of German, Girls' High and Girls' Latin Schools, of the special teacher of French, Roxbury High School, and of the special teacher of French, South Boston High School, shall be that of special instructors of the stated subjects in said schools.

17. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teachers of physical training in the Dorchester, East Boston, Roxbury, South Boston, and West Roxbury High Schools, and of the special teacher of physical training and reading in the Girls' High School, who are now receiving a salary of $1200 per annum, shall be that of special instructor of physical training, and that such instructors continue on their present salary, viz., $1200.

18. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teacher of physical training in the Brighton High School, and of the special teacher of physical training and reading in the Girls' Latin School, shall be that of special instructor of physical training, and that such instructors be placed upon the second year of the new schedule for that rank, viz., $972, and continue to advance until the maximum is reached.

19. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special teacher of physical training in the Dorchester High School who is now receiving a salary of $900, and of the special assistant teachers of physical training in the Girls' High and the Roxbury High Schools, shall be that of special assistant instructors in physical training, and that such instructors be placed upon the maximum salary of the new rank, viz., $900.

20. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of the special instructors in the Mechanic Arts High School shall be that of special assistant instructors.

21. ORDERED, That those instructors in the Mechanic Arts High School who are required by the daily program to perform extra service outside of the regular school hours, be paid, in addition to the regular salaries of their respective ranks, at the rate of two dollars ($2) for each recitation period of extra service, with the exception of the teachers of shop work, who shall be paid, in addition to their regular salaries, at the rate of three dollars ($3) for each shop period of extra service; that the special assistants in mechanical department, be paid, in addition to their regular compensation, at the rate of fifty cents ($0.50) per day; and that the head-master be paid, in addition to his regular salary, at the rate of three dollars ($3) per day, during such part of the year ending August 31, 1907, as such daily program requiring extra service may be continued.

22. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of asistant grammar school and assistant primary school shall be that of assistant, elementary schools, and such teachers shall continue to receive their present salary until the anniversary of their respective appointments, when they shall receive the next higher salary in the new schedule, and continue to advance until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

23. ORDERED, That from and after

Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of teacher of special classes shall be that of assistant in special classes, and such teachers shall continue to receive their present salary until the anniversary of their respective appointments, when they shall receive the next higher salary in the new schedule, and continue to advance until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

24. ORDERED, That from and after Sept. 1, 1906, the rank of principal of kindergartens shall be that of first assistant of kindergartens, and such teachers shall continue to receive their present salary until the anniversary of their respective appointments, when they shall receive the next higher salary in the new schedule, and continue to advance until the maximum of the new rank is reached.

25. ORDERED, That teachers of sewing appointed before August 31, 1905, whose full time is not occupied, be paid for the number of divisions under their charge in accordance with the schedule hereinbefore contained until their full time shall be occupied, when they shall be placed upon the maximum salary of the schedule adopted for teachers of sewing appointed after that date and continue thereon as long as their full time is occupied.

26. ORDERED, That the instructor in any school, district, or department who takes charge thereof under the provisions of the regulations for a continuous period exceeding two weeks, shall receive, in addition to his or her regular salary, one-half of the difference between the said salary and the minimum salary of the higher position, during the time of such service, but not including the summer vacation, for the year ending August 31, 1907.

27. ORDERED, That John Tetlow be paid at the rate of four hundred twenty dollars ($420) per annum, in addition to the regular salary of his rank, for the year ending August 31, 1907.

28. ORDERED, That Darius Hadley and Henry F. Sears each be paid at the rate of one hundred twenty dollars ($120) per annum, in addition to the regular salary of their rank, on account of their long service in the public schools, for the year ending August 31, 1907.

29. ORDERED, That the salary of the permanent substitute in the Charlestown High School be fixed at the rate of $1044 per annum for the year ending August 31, 1907.

30. ORDERED, That the order passed May 21, 1906, establishing the salaries of the teachers in the High School of Commerce for the year ending August 31, 1907, is hereby rescinded.

All of the foregoing orders, Nos. 1 to 30 inclusive, relating to salaries, were collectively passed.

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COMPENSATION OF CHARLES A. NEUERT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That Charles A. Neuert be paid at the rate of two hundred dollars ($200) per annum, to date from Sept. 1, 1906, for attendance and assistance at meetings of the Board.

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TEXT, REFERENCE AND SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

The Board proceeded to consider the orders relating to text, reference and supplementary books appended to a communication received from the Board of Supervisors, under date of June 4, and printed in the proceedings of that date (see pages 130-132), together with the order offered at the meeting of June 11 (see page 139), providing that all text books in algebra authorized for use in high schools are also authorized for use as text-books in grammar schools.

The aforesaid orders with the exception of that portion of order 5, authorizing for use as text-books in the grammar schools:—

Introductory Physiology and Hygiene, by H. W. Conn, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

An Elementary Physiology and Hygiene, by H. W. Conn, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

First Book in Hygiene, A Primer of Physiology, by William O. Krohn, published by D. Appleton & Company.

Graded Lessons in Physiology and Hygiene, by William O. Krohn, published by D. Appleton & Company.

The Whitehouse Educational System and the Natural Movement Method of Practical Writing, by W. A. Whitehouse, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

The Macmillan Series of Writing Books, by Harry Houston, published by the Macmillan Company.

Smith Educational System of Intermediate Penmanship, published by Richardson, Smith & Company.

Practical Writing, by Platt R. Spencer's Sons, published by the American Book Company.

Medial Writing Books, by H. W. Shaylor and G. H. Shattuck, published by Ginn & Company.

The Writing Hour, published by Maynard, Merrill & Company.

The Gilman Renewable Copy Book, published by Thompson, Brown & Company.

The Graphic System of Medial Penmanship, by Edwin Shepard, published by Parker P. Simmons.

The Anna E. Hill Writing Copies, published by Benjamin H. Sanborn & Company.

Haaren's New Writing Books, by John H. Haaren, published by D. C. Heath & Company.

and order No. 24, dropping from the list certain copy books, were passed unanimously.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the four items in order No. 5 specified above, relating to text-books in physiology and hygiene, were recommitted to the Board of Supervisors, without prejudice, for further consideration and report.

The ten items in order No. 5, relating to text-books in penmanship, specified above, passed unanimously.

Order No. 24 dropping from the list certain copy books was amended by adding thereto: Barnes' National Vertical Penmanship, Duntonian System of Vertical Writing, Merrill's Vertical Penmanship, Natural System of Vertical Writing, Shaylor's Vertical Round hand Writing Books, and the Rational Writing Books, Vertical, authorized for supplementary use, and the order as amended passed unanimously.

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MEDIAL SYSTEM OF PENMANSHIP.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Medial System of Penmanship be taught in all grades above the third and in high schools.

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ELECTION OF SUPERINTENDENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board proceeded to the election of a Superintendent for the term of six years to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Stratton D. Brooks—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

The Chairman declared Stratton D. Brooks elected Superintendent of schools for the term specified.

ELECTION OF ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENTS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board proceeded to the election of an Assistant Superintendent for the term of six years, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Walter S. Parker—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

The Chairman declared Walter S. Parker elected an Assistant Superintendent for the term specified.

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On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board proceeded to the election of an Assistant Superintendent for the term of five years, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Ellor E. Carlisle—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

The Chairman declared Ellor E. Carlisle elected an Assistant Superintendent for the term specified.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board proceeded to the election of an Assistant Superintendent for the term of four years, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Maurice P. White—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

The Chairman declared Maurice P. White elected an Assistant Superintendent for the term specified.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board proceeded to the election of an Assistant Superintendent for the term of three years, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Jeremiah E. Burke—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

The Chairman declared Jeremiah E. Burke elected an Assistant Superintendent for the term specified.

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On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board proceeded to th eelection of an Assistant Superintendent for the term of two years, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Augustine L. Rafter—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

The Chairman declared Augustine L. Rafter elected an Assistant Superintendent for the term specified.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the election of an Assistant Superintendent for the term of one year, to date from Sept. 1, 1906, was laid on the table.

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SALARY OF AUDITOR AND SECRETARY.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was unanimously

ORDERED, That the salary of the Auditor and of the Secretary be established at the rate of thirty-seven hundred eighty dollars ($3780) per annum each, to date from Sept. 1, 1906, and until otherwise ordered.

ELECTION OF SECRETARY AND AUDITOR.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board proceeded to the election of a Secretary and an Auditor in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 318 of the Acts of 1906.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For Thornton D. Apollonio as Secretary—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

For William J. Porter as Auditor—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, William S. Kenny, Thomas J. Kenny, Storrow—5.

The Chair declared Thornton D. Appollonio duly elected as Secretary, and William J. Porter duly elected as Auditor.

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NEW GRAMMAR SCHOOL-HOUSE, BRIMMER DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to erect a new grammar school-house in the Brimmer District at as early a date as possible.

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DUTIES OF BUSINESS AGENT ASSIGNED TO AUDITOR.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditor be requested temporarily to perform the duties of the Business Agent without additional compensation until further action by this Board.

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NEW PRIMARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, WEST END.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide additional primary school accommodations in the West End by the erection of a new building of adequate size, and this Board hereby designates the Washington School District as the district within which such accommodations are to be provided.

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OLD DEARBORN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to report on the advisability of preserving the old Dearborn School-house with the exception of that part of said building which immediately adjoins and interferes with the new Dearborn School-house.

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PROVISION FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman be requested to prepare and submit to this Board early in September a bill for presentation to the Legislature to provide funds necessary to meet the requirements for additional school accommodations for a term of years.

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ACCOMMODATIONS, MASON-STREET BUILDING.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested in consultation with the Superintendent, Secretary and the Auditor to make such changes as may be necessary in the Mason-street building to provide suitable accommodations for this Board and its officers, and to provide elsewhere for the supply department now occupying the lower floor of this building.

NOTICE TO BOARD OF ASSESSORS OF APPROPRIATIONS MADE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Board of Assessors are hereby notified that the School Committee have appropriated under Chapter 448 of the Acts of 1901 (or Acts in addition thereto or amendment thereof) the sum of $3,744,200 for the support of the public schools for the present financial year. Of this amount $3,688,287.66 should be included by said Board in the total amount to be raised by taxation, and the balance, $55,-912.34, to be obtained from the following-named sources: Estimated income for the year ($51,012.65), excess of income in 1905-06 over the amount estimated ($4,830.04), and the unexpended balance at the close of the financial year 1905-06 ($69.65).

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COMMISSION TO CONSIDER MATTERS AFFECTING HEALTH OF CHILDREN ATTENDING FIRST THREE GRADES.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That Dr. George S. C. Badger, Dr. Joel E. Goldthwait, Dr. Arthur C. Jelly, Dr. Elliott P. Joslin, Dr. L. P. O'Donnell, Dr. James S. Stone, and Dr. John F. Young be requested to serve without compensation as a commission to report to this Board not later than Nov. 1, 1906, their opinion as to desirable length of session, periods of recess, curriculum, and on all other matters relating to the health of children attending the first three grades.

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On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Grammar Masters' Association be requested to appoint a committee to confer with the commission of physicians as aforesaid.

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Mr. Thomas J. Kenny in the chair.

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BOUNDARIES OF HIGH SCHOOLS.

On the recommendation of the Board of Supervisors, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the boundaries of the several Normal, Latin and high schools shall be as follows:—

The Normal School receives pupils from all parts of the city.

The Public Latin and the Girls' Latin Schools receive pupils from all parts of the city.

The Brighton High School receives pupils who reside within the limits of the former town of Brighton.

The Charlestown High School receives pupils who reside within the limits of the former city of Charlestown.

The Dorchester High School receives pupils who reside within the limits of the former town of Dorchester, excepting those residing within the limits of the Edward Everett and William E. Russell Districts.

The East Boston High School receives pupils who reside within the limits of East Boston.

The English High and Girls' High Schools receive pupils who reside within the limits of the city proper, and other pupils in the order of application until the seating accommodations of the schools are exhausted.

The High School of Commerce receives pupils from all parts of the city.

The Mechanic Arts High School receives pupils from all parts of the city.

The Roxbury High School receives pupils who reside within the limits of the former city of Roxbury.

The South Boston High School receives pupils who reside within the limits of South Boston, and those residing within the limits of the Edward Everett and William E. Russell Districts.

The West Roxbury High School receives pupils who reside within the limits of the former town of West Roxbury.

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DIRECTOR OF EVENING AND VACATION SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order relating to the position of director of evening and vacation schools laid on the table at the meeting of Apr. 23 was taken from the table and placed on file. (See proceedings page 100.)

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CASE OF MRS. ACHSA M. MERRILL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the communication received from Mrs. Achsa M. Merrill at the meeting of Mar. 5, and the motion to rescind the order passed at the meeting of Feb. 5 relating to this teacher (see proceedings, page 65) were taken from the table, and placed on file.

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PUPILS IN PRINCE DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to grant permission to pupils in the Prince District to attend Brookline schools at the expense of the city, in cases where the distance between the homes of the pupils and the schools seems excessive.

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CARE OF ROOMS OCCUPIED BY KINDERGARTENS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to call the attention of the janitors to the requirements of the rules with regard to cleaning the floors of rooms occupied for kindergarten purposes, and the importance of maintaining a high standard of cleanliness in such rooms.

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CONDITION OF STREETS, NORTH AND WEST ENDS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of June 25, 1906, stating that he finds the streets in the North and West Ends adjoining various school-houses in these sections of the city to be in a condition that is not conducive to the cleanliness of school-houses, making it impossible for the janitors to keep such buildings in a neat condition.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of His Honor the Mayor be called to the matter and that he be requested to co-operate in improving present conditions in this respect.

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Mr. Storrow in the chair.

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SEPARATE ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS FOR BOYS AND GIRLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the petition from Amos M. Leonard, et al., received at the meeting of May 21, for the discontinuance of separate elementary schools for boys and girls, and the establishment of mixed schools in place thereof, was taken up and indefinitely postponed.

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USE OF BITUMINOUS COAL, FROTHINGHAM SCHOOL.

A communication was received from P. H. Leonard and six other residents of Charlestown, under date of June 13, 1906, objecting to the use of soft coal in the Frothingham School.

Placed on file.

SCHOOL FESTIVAL.

On motion of Mr. Brock, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny was requested to represent this Board at the school festival to be held on Saturday, June 30, 1906.

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VACATION SCHOOL APPOINTMENTS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to make such appointments in the vacation school service during the season of 1906 in addition to those already authorized by the Board as may be found necessary.

SUSPENSION OF OFFICE HOURS OF MEMBERS OF THE BOARD.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary be authorized to give notice that the usual office hours of the members of the Board will be suspended until the second week in September next.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 12:01 o'clock A.M. until the second Monday in September next

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

In School Committee, July 17, 1906.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M.

Present: All the members except Mr. Storrow.

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ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN PRO TEMPORE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny was elected chairman pro tempore.

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CALL FOR MEETING.

The Secretary read the call for the meeting, viz.:—

Boston School Committee,
Secretary's Office,
Mason street, July 13, 1906.

Mr. Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary, School Committee, Mason street, Boston, Mass.

Dear Sir:—

In accordance with the rules, you are hereby requested to call a special meeting of the Board at 7:30 o'clock P.M., on Tuesday, July 17, 1906.

Very truly yours,
Thomas J. Kenny.
W. S. Kenny.

Placed on file.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the meeting of June 25, 1906, was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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COMINS SCHOOL YARD.

Communications, under date of July 10, 1906, were received from His Honor the Mayor and from the Schoolhouse Commission with respect to placing settees in the yard of the Comins School for the use of the residents in that locality during the summer months.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to place settees in the yard of the Comins School for the accommodation of the residents in that locality, and that the janitor be instructed to keep said yard open daily until 10:30 o'clock P.M. to Sept. 1, and until 10 o'clock P.M. from Sept. 1 to Sept. 9, inclusive.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Secretary inform His Honor the Mayor of the foregoing action and request that sufficient police attendance be furnished in connection with such use of said yard, especially during evenings.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to exercise general supervision over the aforesaid premises in connection with this special use thereof, reporting thereon to Mr. Thomas J. Kenny from time to time, and that the Custodian also make a written report to this Board at its first meeting in September as to whether such use of the premises has been desirable or undesirable; and that Mr. Thomas J. Kenny be given full power to cancel or modify the privilege hereby granted at his discretion.

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OLD DEARBORN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of June 28, 1906, in response to the order passed at the meeting of June 25, requesting that Board to report on the advisability of preserving the old Dearborn School-house with the exception of that part of said building which immediately adjoins the new Dearborn School-house, stating the reasons why in the opinion of said Board it is desirable that the old building should be taken down during the summer vacation.

Placed on file.

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BON HOMME RICHARD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of July 10, 1906, requesting that authority be given to dispose of the Bon Homme Richard School-house, a one-room temporary building formerly occupied for school purposes in the Mather District.

Placed on file.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That it is advisable to sell the Bon Homme Richard School-house, in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1906.

Passed, all the members of the Board present, viz., four, voting in the affirmative.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of July 17, 1906, calling attention to various requirements for additional school accommodations which they consider of urgent importance.

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The Board went into executive session, Schoolhouse Commissioner Mullen being present.

The doors were opened.

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On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That this Board hereby designates the Edward Everett District as the district within which a new grammar school-house shall be erected.

The aforesaid communication from the Schoolhouse Commission with respect to additional accommodations was laid over until the next regular meeting.

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ACCEPTANCE OF SUPERINTENDENCY BY MR. BROOKS.

A communication was received from Superintendent Brooks, under date of June 27, 1906, accepting the position of Superintendent of Public Schools to which he was elected June 25, 1906, for the term of six years from September next.

Placed on file.

TEMPORARY STENOGRAPHER AND TYPEWRITER, SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of July 17, 1906, submitting for approval the appointment of Winifred K. Feeney as a temporary stenographer and typewriter in his office, to date from July 1, 1906, in accordance with the terms of an order passed June 25, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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DEATHS OF TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of July 17, 1906, reporting the deaths of the following-named teachers:—

Girls' Latin School—Jessie Girdwood, assistant, July 13, 1906.

Agassiz District—Mary A. Gott, first assistant, Grammar School, June 26, 1906.

Placed on file.

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MINOR'S LICENSE.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board approved the granting of a minor's license to Trevor W. H. Swett, subject to the requirements of the regulations.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, WINTHROP-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the schedule of compensation for janitor service of grammar and primary school-houses shall continue to apply to the Winthrop-street School-house notwithstanding the occupancy of this building by the new High School of Commerce.

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BOUNDARY LINES OF ADAMS AND LYMAN DISTRICTS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the boundaries of the Adams and Lyman Districts shall hereafter be as follows:—

Adams District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at the easterly end of Gove street extended to the water; thence by the water to Cunard wharf; thence by the railroad to Gove street; thence by the rear of the northerly side of Gove street to the point of beginning.

Lyman District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at the easterly end of Gove street extended to the water; thence by the rear of the northerly side of Gove street to the railroad; thence by the railroad to Cunard wharf; thence by the water to a point opposite Central square; thence by a line running easterly across Central square to Bennington street; thence by the centres of Bennington and Brooks streets to the water; thence by the water to the point of beginning.

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COPY BOOKS, MEDIAL SYSTEM OF PENMANSHIP.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Auditor be and hereby is authorized, beginning September next, to furnish copy books of the new medial system of penmanship for the ensuing school year, not exceeding one copy for each grammar school pupil.

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COMMISSION TO CONSIDER MATTERS AFFECTING HEALTH OF CHILDREN ATTENDING FIRST THREE GRADES.

A communication, under date of June 29, 1906, was received from Dr. Elliott P. Joslin, who had been requested to serve as a member of the Commission appointed at the meeting of June 25 to consider matters affecting the health of children attending the first three grades, stating that he has only recently recovered from an attack of pneumonia and does not feel able at present to take up any additional work.

Placed on file.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 9:27 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

Sept. 10, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-Street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the meeting of July 17, 1906, was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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REQUIREMENTS FOR ADDITIONAL SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The communication received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of July 17, 1906, calling attention to various requirements for additional school accommodations, which they consider of urgent importance, laid over at the previous meeting, was taken up, and, on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, laid on the table.

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ILLEGAL EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS AND DUTIES OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

The following communication was received:

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Executive Department,
Boston, July 17, 1906.

To the School Committee of the City of Boston:—

I beg to call your attention to Bulletin No. 10 of our Decennial Census for 1905 relative to children at work in Massachusetts, from which it appears that upon the first day of May, 1905, the number of children ten years of age and under fourteen found to be at work was 394, this number being employed in apparent violation of law.

I desire also to call your attention to chapter 499 of the Acts of the present year entitled "An Act Relative to the Illegal Employment of Minors, and to the Duties of Truant Officers." This act declares that whoever continues to employ a minor in violation of the provisions of law after being notified thereof by a truant officer or by an inspector of factories and public buildings, shall, for every day thereafter while such employment continues, be punished by a fine of not less than twenty nor more than one hundred dollars, or by imprisonment for not more than six months. Section three of said act is as follows:—"A truant officer may apprehend and take to school, without a warrant, any minor under the age of sixteen years who is employed in any factory, workshop or mercantile establishment in violation of the provisions of sections twenty-eight or twenty-nine of chapter one hundred and six of the Revised Laws, and of any amendments thereof or additions thereto, and such truant officer shall forthwith report to the police, district or municipal court or trial justice within whose judicial district the illegal employment occurs, the evidence in his possession relating to the illegal employment of any child so apprehended, and shall make complaint against whomever the court or trial justice may direct. Any truant officer who knowingly and wilfully violates any provision of this section may be punished by a fine of not more than one hundred dollars for each offence."

I have to inform you that the number of apparent violations of the laws relative to the illegal employment of minors as reported to the Chief of the Bureau of Statistics of Labor in your city on May 1, 1905, was 121,—to wit, 94 boys and 27 girls.

May I ask that you direct the attention of the truant officers of your city to these reported violations of law and to the obligations placed upon said officers by the terms of chapter 499 of the Acts of 1906, approved June 20th, and that they be directed to use their utmost diligence in seeing to it that the child labor laws, so-called, are strictly enforced against the violaters thereof?

Respectfully yours,
Curtis Guild, Jr.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the receipt thereof, and to ask for further information with regard to the alleged violations of law referred to in the foregoing communication.

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YARD ACCOMMODATIONS, PAUL JONES SCHOOL.

The following communication was received:

City of Boston, In Common Council,
July 12, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee, through His Honor the Mayor, be requested to inform this body as to why proper school yard accommodations are not furnished to the pupils of the Paul Jones School, Ward One.

In Common Council, July 12, 1906.

Referred to His Honor the Mayor.

Leo F. McCullough, President, pro tem.

City of Boston, Office of the Mayor, July 17, 1906. Referred to the School Committee.

Referred to the Schoolhouse Commission, and, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Common Council be respectfully informed through His Honor the Mayor, in response to the inquiry as to why proper school yard accommodations are not furnished to the pupils of the Paul Jones School, Ward One, that this Board has referred the aforesaid communication to the Board of Schoolhouse Commissioners for attention, upon which Board the duty of furnishing school accommodations devolves.

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OPERATION OF HEATING AND VENTILATING PLANTS ON WARM DAYS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of July 28, 1906, stating that they are informed that the rule providing that on days when the outside temperature is above sixty-six degrees, the use of all heating and ventilating apparatus shall be discontinued, is interpreted by some janitors to mean that the summer boilers, which are installed for the express purpose of taking care of the ventilation of the buildings during the warm weather and not to heat the same, are not to be run, that these summer boilers are for the purpose of supplying the aspirating coils with heat to secure ventilation in toilet rooms and asking that janitors be instructed on the subject; also a communication from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of July 31, 1906, stating that he will instruct the janitors accordingly, but is of the opinion that in certain buildings it would be more economical during warm weather to have the sanitaries ventilated by means of a small electric fan rather than to operate a boiler for that purpose.

Severally placed on file, and, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Secretary was directed to request the Schoolhouse Commission to report on the advisability of ventilating sanitaries during warm weather by means of electric fans rather than by the use of aspirating coils.

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ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL, ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, calling the attention of the Board to the question of accommodations for the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, the former premises occupied by this school on Washington street having been discontinued.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid over to the next meeting.

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TELEPHONE, GERMANTOWN PRIMARY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, recommending the installation of a telephone in the Germantown Primary School-house.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent with authority to make such arrangements as he may deem expedient.

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COURSE OF STUDY, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, transmitting a provisional course of study for the High School of Commerce, and recommending its adoption for the year 1906-07.

The communication was placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the accompanying course of study was amended by striking out a single paragraph.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, that part of the aforesaid course relating to stenography and typewriting was laid on the table.

The remainder of said course was adopted for the year 1906-07.

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DEATH.

The Superintendent reported the death of Granville S. Webster, master of the Eliot District, which occurred on July 21, 1906.

Placed on file.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

Public Latin School—Joseph W. Chadwick, master, Sept. 1, 1906.

English High School—Ernest V. Page, junior-master, Sept. 12, 1906.

Roxbury High School—Lyman G. Smith, junior-master, Sept. 12, 1906.

South Boston High School—Ruth E. Hubbard, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

Blackinton District—G. Caroline Penchard, principal, Kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1906.

Dillaway District—Mary C. Mellyn, master, Sept. 12, 1906.

Dwight District—Albert S. Ames, submaster, Sept. 11, 1906.

John A. Andrew District—Effie M. Charnock, assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1906.

Lewis District—Caroline M. Sproul, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1906.

Martin District—Cornelia M. Galligan, assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1906.

Rice District—Mabel C. Kinney, assistant, Primary School, Sept. 1, 1906.

Director of Drawing—James Frederick Hopkins, Sept. 15, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—John C. Brodhead, instructor, Sept. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Mechanic Arts High School—Charles A. Armstrong, Chester H. Dunham, Joseph R. Dunn, Francis J. Emery, Decran J. Galusian, Nathaniel D. Henchman, Sept. 12, 1906.

Dwight District—Lillian M. Bonnelli, Kindergarten, Sept. 12, 1906.

Franklin District—Violet M. Nevins, Sept. 12, 1906.

Martin District—Mary V. Cronin, Sept. 12 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' Latin School—Rosalie Y. Abbot, assistant, Sept. 12, 1906.

English High School—John E. J. Kelley, assistant instructor, Sept. 12, 1906.

Roxbury High School—Georgiana V. Wait, special assistant instructor, Sept. 12, 1906.

South Boston High School—Christina M. McCarthy, special assistant instructor, Sept. 12, 1906.

Blackinton District—Hazel E. Poole, assistant, Sept. 12, 1906.

Lewis District—Edward J. Muldoon, assistant, Sept. 12, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—William A. Hoyt, sub-master, special order, Sept. 12, 1906.

Washington District—Mary E. Harvell, Mildred Kallen, Charlotte R. Weild, Philip Davis, assistants, Sept. 12, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—Ella L. Bresnehen, assistant instructor, Sept. 12, 1906.

Placed on file.

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PRINCIPALS OF DISTRICTS.

Bunker Hill District—Frank L. Keith, master, Sept. 12, 1906.

Eliot District—John F. McGrath, master, Sept. 12, 1906.

The aforesaid appointments were successively approved by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny, Storrow—5.

Nays—0.

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ON PROBATION.

High School of Commerce—F. Edwin Walter, special assistant, Sept. 12, 1906.

Mechanic Arts High School—Eunice Weston, special assistant, second year, Sept. 12, 1906.

South Boston High School—Helen G. Davis, special assistant instructor in drawing in place of an assistant to which the school is entitled under the regulations, Sept. 12, 1906.

Blackinton District—Eliza L. Osgood, first assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 12, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Edwin I. Beal, sub-master, special order, Sept. 12, 1906.

Lewis District—Arthur L. Gould, submaster, special order, Sept. 12, 1906.

Manual Training Schools—Florence O. Bean, Alice S. Bryant, assistant instructors, Sept. 12, 1906.

Approved.

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TRANSFER.

George Putnam District—Grace A. Kelleher, assistant, elementary school, to the same position in the Thomas Gardner District, to date from Sept. 12, 1906.

Placed on file.

EMERGENCY LIST.

Myrtie A. Adams, Greta Allen, Mary T. Baker, Deborah F. Barry, Violet E. Barry, Hattie H. Batson, Frances M. Bell, Marion H. Bell, Margaret M. Berman, Marion G. Boland, Katherine Brady, Mary L. Brennan, Ella F. Bresnehen, Marguerite V. Brickley, Helen I. Bridge, May E. Briggs, Miriam J. Bronski, Edith M. Brown, Emma A. Brust, Esther M. Buchan, Margaret M. Burke, Elsie Aldrich Burrage, Joseph P. Cady, Ida M. Carhill, Rebecca E. Carson, Anna A. Cassidy, Grace M. Cavanagh, Helen S. Chapman, Georgiana Charleston, Helen T. Chickering, Emily L. Clark, Frank R. Clark, Isabel E. Clark, Helen T. Clayton, Mary I. Coggeshall, Katharine L. Colbert, Margaret A. M. Collins, Minnie B. Conant, Alice M. Conley, Eva M. Cotton, Margaret A. F. Cotter, Josephine W. Cowan, Elinor G. Cowan, Mary Georgiana Crane, James A. Crowley, Madaline I. Curry, Frances E. Dailey, Bertha E. Davis, Hope Davison, Annie E. Dennis, Louise M. De Voto, Sarah F. Dibble, Emma F. Ditchett, Frances G. Dixon, Louise Dodge, Helena M. Doherty, Mary I. Donlan, Helen M. Donohue, Irene A. Dooley, Genevieve R. Dore, Rosanna M. Dowd, Lillian E. Downes, Margaret M. Downing, Veronica E. Doyle, Katherine L. Driscoll, Ruth T. Elliot, Mary E. Fennelly, Maurice Ferber, Francis J. Field, Abby M. Fitz, Alice M. Flanagan, Frances M. Flanagan, Mary E. Flynn, Mary A. Ford, Cornelia C. Foster, Mary A. Fouhy, Helen E. Fries, Mary T. Galvin, Adaline A. Gardner, Lucie M. Gardner, Mary A. Geary, Mary M. Glennon, Gertrude M. Glynn, Hazel P. Gore, Julia V. Guiney, Mary A. Haverty, Mary M. Hayes, Alice H. Healy, Guy E. Healey, Marian B. Healey, Catherine A. Hogan, Elizabeth L. Holton, Constance Horsford, Isabella H. Howe, Rose D. Hoye, Theresa C. Hoye, William A. Hoyt, Eleanore E. Hubbard, Mary C. Humphrey, Katherine E. Hurley, Elizabeth Hutchings, Agnes G. Johnson, Martha B. Johnson, Charlotte E. Joslin, Clara M. Jordan, Catherine G. Kelleher, John E. J. Kelley, Frances E. Kelly, Marguerite R. Kenneally, Margaret M. Kenney, Annie L. Killion, Amy V. Kingston, Mary E. Kinsley, Henry W. Kirmayer, Eleanor A. Larivee, Helen L. Leahy, Mary H. Leavey, Florence R. LeBlanc, Mary C. Locke, Margaret K. Long, Theresa F. Long, Cecilia V. Mara, Gertrude E. Mayo, Gertrude L. McCormick, Margaret E. McCoy, Hugh J. McElaney, Martha F. McElroy, Helena McGinnis, Mary I. McIsaac, Christina W. MacLachlan, Frances A. McMahan, F. Maud McLachlan, Sarah E. Connelly McMahan, Emma C. McNamara, Esther L. McNellis, Josephine A. Merrick, Anna M. Meyer, William T. Miller, Mary I. F. Montgomery, Mary L. Moran, Agnes C. Morris, Eleanor F. Morris, Edward J. Muldoon, Mary A. Mullin, Mary A. Mulvey, Stephen J. Murdock, Anna E. Murphy, Florence M. Murphy, Mary L. Murphy, Theresa C. Murray, Eva M. Neth, Agnes T. Nolan, Adeline M. Norton, Margaret M. O'Brien, Maurice J. O'Brien, May C. O'Brien, Linda C. O'Dowd, John A. O'Keefe, jr., Joseph A. F. O'Neil, Mary J. O'Neil, Mary Justine O'Neill, Mary V. O'Regan, Eleanor M. Osterberg, Aloyse M. Owen, Ethel A. Owen, Angela M. Pearce, Minnie D. Penzanski, Ella M. Phelps, Mabel E. Phillips, Bertha M. Pitts, Hazel Erma Poole, (Mrs.) Josephine P. Poole, Marian Poole, Gertrude Ambrose Power, Josephine A. Power, Elizabeth L. Prendergast, Elizabeth M. Quigley, Mary R. Quinn, Lillie M. Redfern, William A. Reed, Florence Rice, Florence C. Ritchie, Alice M. Roche, Mary J. Rogers, Alice M. Russell, Margaret L. Ryan, William J. Sands, Louise C. Scannell, Garetta K. Seger, Stella W. Seymour, Annie C. Shea, Nellie F. Sheehan, Mary Turner Sherry, Margaret A. Sloane, Edith M. Snow, Mary P. Stapleton, Catherine J. Sullivan, Mary C. Sullivan, Eileene A. Sweeney, Linwood Taft, Annie M. Trundy, Caroline G. Tunis, Edward L. Underwood, Hortense E. Wales, Mary Alice Ward, Walter B. Waterman, Frances W. Weeks, Charlotte R. Weild, Gertrude E. Welch, Louis R. Wells, Elsie M. Welt, Laura F. Wentworth, Helen M. West, Ellen A. Whalen, Grace L. White, Harriet White, Gertrude M. Wilcox, Thomas E. Winston, Ellen G. Wiseman, Edith H. Wood, Frances E. Woods.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Roxbury High School—Helen A. Bragg, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.

Franklin District—Ruth C. Higbee, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.

Manual Training Schools—Ella G. Smith, assistant instructor, from Sept. 12, until Nov. 1, 1906.

On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Sept. 12, 1907:—

Emerson District—Mary D. Day, assistant, elementary school, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Sept. 12, 1907.

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PERMANENT SUBSTITUTE.

Subsequently, the following appointment by the Superintendent in accordance with the rules and regulations and an order passed by the School Committee on June 25, 1906, was presented:—

Charlestown High School—John W. Regan, assistant, from Sept. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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MINORS' LICENSE.

The Superintendent submitted the name of one minor to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of license authorized accordingly.

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TELEPHONES, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE, ADAMS, DUDLEY, HANCOCK AND HORACE MANN SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, recommending that telephones be placed in the High School of Commerce, and in the Adams, Dudley, Hancock and Horace Mann Schools; also the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the Auditor enter into a contract with the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company to equip the following-named buildings with telephones in the four party line coin box service, without guarantee except for tolls:—

High School of Commerce, Adams, Dudley, Hancock, Horace Mann.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

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COMPENSATION OF JAMES FREDERICK HOPKINS, DIRECTOR OF DRAWING.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, stating that owing to the change of title made in the regulations for the Director of Drawing, it would be necessary to pass an order to provide for the compensation

of James Frederick Hopkins, Director of Drawing, for services rendered by him from Sept. 1 until Sept. 15, 1906, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That James Frederick Hopkins be paid the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars ($150) for services rendered from Sept. 1 to Sept. 15, 1906.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

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COMINS SCHOOL YARD.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, in pursuance of the order passed by the Board at its meeting of July 17, relative to the opening of the Comins School yard for the use of residents in that locality during the past summer, stating that the average attendance was about seventy-five, and that but one complaint had been received from the residents of the district about such use of the yard, and that upon investigation he learned that these parties also objected to the day school pupils; that he had visited the premises several times, and observed nothing objectionable, and this without police supervision; further, that he is of the opinion that the opening of the yard during the warm weather is appreciated by the parents of the district and is on the whole desirable.

Placed on file.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, of the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors during the period from June 21 to Sept. 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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CONSUMPTION OF FUEL.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, in compliance with the order passed at the meeting of June 25, 1906, directing him to investigate the conditions in school buildings where the consumption of fuel in 1905-06 exceeded that of the previous year, stating that he has found no instance where this has occurred, and also that the average cost of coal delivered to school buildings during the past summer is $4.38 per ton, as compared with the price of $5.37 per ton last year.

Placed on file.

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CONSUMPTION OF GAS AND ELECTRICITY.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to proceed forthwith to obtain and record a reading of all gas and electric meters in the various school buildings, and thereafter to compare such meter readings with the monthly bills rendered for gas and electricity; and that he also call the attention of the janitors to the importance of exercising strict economy in the consumption of gas and electricity.

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JANITOR, FRANCIS PARKMAN PORTABLE NO. 11.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, reporting the removal of Portable Building No. 11 from the yard of the Lewis School to the yard of the Francis Parkman School, and recommending that said building be placed in charge of Henry T. Allchin, janitor of the Francis Parkman School-house, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved

JANITOR, EDWARD EVERETT PORTABLE NO. 19.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, reporting the removal of Portable Building No. 19 from the yard of the Lewis School to the yard of the Edward Everett School, and recommending that said building be placed in charge of George L. Chessman, janitor of the Edward Everett School-house, to date from Sept. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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APPLICATIONS OF RESIDENTS OF ABERDEEN DISTRICT FOR FREE TUITION IN BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

Communications were received from Josiah S. Dean, J. E. Martin, and William C. Atwood, residents of the Aberdeen district, under dates of Aug. 16, Sept. 4 and 5, 1906, asking that their children be permitted to attend Brookline schools at the expense of the city.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to Mr. Brock and the Superintendent for investigation and recommendation.

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COLUMBUS-AVENUE EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from George Jepson, Master of the Columbus-Avenue Evening Drawing School, under date of Sept. 7, 1906, stating that the accommodations provided for this school are unsuitable, and recommending its transfer to the Mechanic Arts High School-house.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to discontinue the occupancy of the premises occupied by the Columbus-Avenue Evening Drawing School, and to transfer the equipment of that school to the Mechanic Arts High Schoolhouse.

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COMMISSION TO CONSIDER MATTERS AFFECTING THE HEALTH OF CHILDREN ATTENDING FIRST THREE GRADES.

A communication, under date of July 25, 1906, was received from Dr. John F. Young, who had been requested to serve as a member of the commission appointed at the meeting of June 25 to consider matters affecting the health of children attending the first three grades, expressing his regret at his inability to serve as a member thereof.

Placed on file.

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TRAINED NURSE, BOWDOIN DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That permission is hereby granted the Instructive District Nursing Association to place a trained nurse in the schools of the Bowdoin District, under the same conditions governing the services of nurses in the Quincy and Wells Districts.

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RESIGNATION OF A TRUANT OFFICER.

A communication was received from Charles E. Turner, under date of Aug. 25, 1906, stating that his health is such that he cannot perform the duties of truant officer satisfactorily to himself, and tendering his resignation, to take effect upon the appointment of his successor.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, leave of absence on full pay was granted Charles E. Turner, truant officer, until Jan. 1, 1907, and his resignation was accepted to take effect at the end of said leave.

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The Secretary was instructed to make requisition on the Civil Service Commission for the names of candidates eligible to fill one vacancy in the position of truant officer.

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SCHOOLHOUSE CUSTODIAN.

A communication was received from the Civil Service Commission, under date of Sept. 8, 1906, stating that an eligible list of candidates for the position of Schoolhouse Custodian has been established by that Board, and transmitting a certification of the names of the three persons standing highest on said list.

Placed on file.

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APPROVAL OF BILLS AND PAYROLLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills for the month of September, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditor, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. William S. Kenny.

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PAYMENT TO CHARLES A. NEUERT, WINTHROP S. DAVIS AND JAMES E. GANNON.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Charles A. Neuert the sum of one hundred dollars ($100), to Winthrop S. Davis the sum of sixty dollars ($60), and to James E. Gannon the sum of sixty dollars ($60) for extra services rendered during July and August, 1906, in receiving and checking the weight of coal delivered to the various schoolhouses.

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TEMPORARY CLERK, OFFICE OF BOARD OF SUPERVISORS.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the authority given the Board of Supervisors, June 11, 1906, to employ a temporary clerk for a period not exceeding ten days, at the rate of two and one-half dollars ($2.50) per day, is hereby extended to cover a period of twenty-one days.

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TELEPHONE, OFFICE OF SUPERVISOR OF SUBSTITUTES.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That an additional telephone (limited to 900 calls) be placed in the Mason-street building for the use of the Supervisor of Substitutes.

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RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Board proceeded to give renewed consideration to the new rules and regulations adopted in June last, and acted thereon as follows:—

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That section 145 of the rules be amended as follows:—

Paragraph 1. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

Sect 145. 1. Except in cases of promotion from a permanent position or of appointment as principal of a school or district, or as director of a special subject, no person shall, after September 1, 1906, be appointed as a permanent teacher in the public day schools whose name does not appear among the highest three of the names on the proper eligible list willing to accept such appointments, without regard to the dates on which the names were placed on said lists. The names of persons appointed to permanent positions in the day school service shall be removed from the eligible lists; and any person whose name appears on such lists may, upon request, have the same removed therefrom.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the amount of the bonds required of the Auditor and of the Business Agent be fixed at ten thousand dollars ($10,000) each.

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On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:

Sect. 358, Paragraph 5. Strike out the paragraph, and substitute in place thereof the following:

5. Other candidates shall be required to present certificates of character from the principals of the schools they last attended and to pass an examination equivalent to that required for graduation from the elementary schools; provided, that candidates from other secondary schools may be admitted on recommendation of the principals approved by the Board of Superintendents. Such examinations shall be held on the second Saturday and preceding Friday in June, and on the second Wednesday and following Thursday in September, in each year.

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A re-draft of chapter XXV. of the regulations, relating to the duties of the truant officers, was considered, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny adopted.

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CASE OF MRS. ACHSA M. MERRILL.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.

A communication was received from Edith Merrill Kettelle, relative to the case of Mrs. Achsa M. Merrill, a teacher in the Robert G. Shaw District.

Laid over.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 11.57 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON, MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

September 17, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

Bigelow District—John F. McGrath, submaster, Sept. 12, 1906.

Christopher Gibson District—Elizabeth G. Crotty, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

Dudley District—Hannah E. Coughlan, assistant, Sept. 20, 1906; Rose E. Munster, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

Edward Everett District—Alice A. Banker, assistant, Sept. 24, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Edwin I. Beal, assistant, Sept. 12, 1906.

Lincoln District—Florence O. Bean, assistant, Sept. 12, 1906; Eliza L. Osgood, assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 12, 1906.

Martin District—Alice E. Lawrence, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

Prescott District—Ellen E. Kelly, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

Phillips District—Frank L. Keith, submaster, Sept. 12, 1906; Helen G. Davis, assistant, Sept. 12, 1906.

Washington Allston District—Blanche A. Cole, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

School on Spectacle Island—Stephen W. Ferguson, teacher, Sept. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Adams District—Eleanor L. McGourty, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Agassiz District—Elizabeth V. Mahoney, from Sept. 18, 1906.

Bennett District—Helen T. Clayton, from Sept. 13, 1906.

Bigelow District—Geraldine I. Donoghue, Louise C. Keyes, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Blackinton District—Lillian M. Watts, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Bowditch District—Gertrude A. Poor, from Sept. 12, 1906; Edna F. Hawes, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Christopher Gibson District—Mary L. Kelly, Mary I. McIsaac, Agnes G. Strong, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Dearborn District—Rose A. Conry, Katherine R. Murphy, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Dillaway District—Lena A. Sherwood, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Dudley District—Helen S. Chapman, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Edward Everett District—Margaret R. Dwyer, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 29, 1906, inclusive; Rose D. Hoye, from Sept. 12, 1906; Clara E. Nixon, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Emerson District—Anna A. Aronie, Esther M. Buchan, Josephine A. Power, from Sept. 12, 1906; Mary M. Hayes, from Sept. 13, 1906 (two days); Eleanor L. McGourty, Sept. 12, 1906 (three days).

Frothingham District—Emma L. Carroll, Bertha F. Dodge, Elizabeth J. Turnbull, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Gaston District—Emily M. Desmond, Mary A. Dorgan, Mary F. O'Neil, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Gilbert Stuart District—Ethel M. Coleman, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 18, 1906, inclusive; Grace L. White, Kindergarten, from Sept. 19, 1906.

Hancock District—Minnie D. Penzanski, Angela M. Pearce, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Harvard District—Mary A. Starkey, Grace A. Tully, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Henry L. Pierce District—Alice L. Brummett, Kindergarten, from Sept. 14, 1906; Annie C. Forbes, from Sept. 13, 1906 (two days); Eunice C. Hearn, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days).

Hyde District—Adalena H. Dudley, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Jefferson District—Helen K. Somers, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lawrence District—Joseph A. F. O'Neil, Margaret M. Sullivan, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Longfellow District—Katherine E. Cufflin, Helen M. Fogarty, Grace E. Maloney, Alice E. MacKusick, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lyman District—Agnes M. Mahoney, Alice D. Murley, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Martin District—Mary V. Cronin, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days); M. Teresa Sheerin, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days); Helen G. Gormley, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Mary Hemenway District—Grace M. Goodrich, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Minot District—Alice G. Ryan, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Norcross District—Ellen J. Brosnahan, Estelle C. Chase, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Ella M. B. Hayes, Margaret L. Ryan, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—John J. Cummings, Mary A. Molloy, from Sept. 12, 1906; Anna M. Doherty, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Phillips Brooks District—Elleanor P. Cox, Frances E. Dailey, Ellen M. Ford, Constance Horsford, from Sept 12, 1906; Harriet E. Kingsbury, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days); Lavinia M. MacLean, from Sept. 12, 1906; Florence M. Murphy, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Prescott District—Mary T. Baker, Elizabeth L. Rogers, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Rice District—Marguerite F. Lally, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days).

Roger Wolcott District—Anna L. Sullivan, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Sherwin District—Rebecca F. Silbert, from Sept. 12, 1906 (two days).

Shurtleff District—Agnes G. R. Fitzsimmons, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days).

Thomas Gardner District—Eleanore E. Hubbard, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days); Amy V. Kingston, from Sept. 12, 1906 (one day); Christina W. MacLachlan, from Sept. 12, 1906 (three days); Hortense E. Wales, from Sept. 12, 1906 (one day).

Thomas N. Hart District—Grace G. Colman, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Washington District—Frances Burnce, Mary C. Locke, Katie Roud, from Sept. 12, 1906; Mary V. Sullivan, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Wells District—Hazel P. Gore, Dora L. Lourie, from Sept. 12, 1906.

William E. Russell District—Sarah E. McMahan, Mary C. Sullivan, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Winthrop District—Mabel C. Grogan, from Sept. 12, 1906.

The reading of the aforesaid appointments was omitted, and they were approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' High School—Clara A. Hawthorne, assistant instructor, from Sept. 12, 1906.
West Roxbury High School—Mabel E. Woodworth, assistant instructor, from Sept. 18, 1906.
Bigelow District—Theobald A. Lynch, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Bowditch District—Edna F. Hawes, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1906.
Dwight District—Ivory F. Frisbee, submaster, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Eliot District—James A. Crowley, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Phillips District—Deborah F. Barry, William T. Miller, assistants, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Thomas Gardner District—Frances M. Bell, Emma C. McNamara, assistants, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Instructor of Sewing—Anastasia Gannon, from Sept. 14, 1906.
Placed on file.

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PRINCIPALS OF DISTRICTS.

Brimmer District—George W. Ransom, master, from Oct. 1, 1906.
Dillaway District—Ellen M. Murphy, master, from Oct. 1, 1906.
Laid over.

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ON PROBATION.

Bigelow District—Thomas J. Barry, submaster, from Sept. 25, 1906.
Dudley District—Hannah B. Ford, assistant, from Sept. 20, 1906.
Edward Everett District—Margaret R. Dwyer, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.
Thomas Gardner District—Mary E. Cosgrove, assistant, from Sept. 17, 1906.
Approved.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Brimmer District—James A. Treanor, sub-master.
Edward Everett District—Leonard M. Patton, sub-master; Mary E. Donovan, assistant.
Hancock District—Geraldine F. Corbett, assistant.
Harvard District—Marcella C. Coyle, first assistant, Primary School; Lucy C. Wiig, assistant.
Henry L. Pierce District—Julia G. Davison, first assistant, Kindergarten.
Horace Mann School—Amy M. Pleadwell, assistant.
John A. Andrew District—Bertha E. Miller, first assistant, Grammar School.
Lewis District—Anna V. Fallon, May M. Gormley, C. Isabel Mention, assistants; Grace M. Rayner, assistant, Kindergarten.
Lincoln District—Edna F. Henderson, assistant.
Mary Hemenway District—Gertrude E. Kendall, assistant; Annie M. Smith, first assistant, Kindergarten.
Mather District—Laurilla J. Sanders, assistant.
Oliver Hazard Perry District—Agnes E. Barry, Anna M. Cogan, assistants.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—E. Gertrude Dudley, Anna A. Maguire, first assistants, Grammar School; Marietta H. Delaney, Catherine A. Gartland, assistants.
Roger Wolcott District—Margaret C. McCloskey, assistant; Marguerita C. McDermott, assistant, Kindergarten.
Shurtleff District—Mary L. O'Neill, assistant.
William E. Russell District—Stella M. Coates, assistant.
Winthrop District—Mary B. Thompson, assistant.
Approved.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Margaret M. Brennan, Alice S. Brummett, Anna E. Burke, Caroline G. Chard, Estelle C. Chase, M. Estelle Conlin, Rose A. Conry, Katherine E. Cufflin, Elizabeth V. Doherty, Elizabeth A. Donohue, Edith A. Duclos, Ellen E. Ellis, Sara G. Fay, A. Teresa Fennelly, Florence M. Fogarty, Mary M. French, Pauline M. Garey, Jennie M. Gray, Elizabeth Greenman, Lavina M. Grimes, Josephine W. Haney, Rose G. Harris, Eunice C. Hearn, Helen E. Hermes, Dorothy Hill, Teresa A. Hurley, Mary E. Keenan, Vincent L. Kelley, Marguerite F. Lally, Mary E. Lowder, Agnes M. Mahoney, Jennie G. Maguire, Evelyn G. McGinley, Mary M. McLaughlin, Katherine Murphy, Frances A. Neilson, Elizabeth H. Norman, Alice W. Peaslee, Adelaide F. Perry, Gertrude A. Poor, Florence J. Preston, Mary G. L. Quinlan, John C. Riley, Nellie I. Simpson, Anna L. Smith, Mary E. Smith (Normal 1906), Mary E. Smith (Normal 1899), Gertrude P. Stephan, Sarah G. Stowers, Anna L. Sullivan, Mary V. Sullivan, Dorothy Taft, Anna E. Theisinger, Mary A. Tilton, Caroline J. Trommer, Grace A. Tully, Jennie A. Tyrrell, Ida F. Wall, Elizabeth A. Wood.
Approved.

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PRINCIPALS OF EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1906-07.

High Schools.

Central, Fred A. Fernald.
Charlestown, Herbert S. Weaver.
East Boston, Myron W. Richardson.
Roxbury, Lyman G. Smith.
South Boston, Edward P. O'Hara.

Elementary Schools.

Bigelow, Joseph A. Reddy.
Bowdoin, W. Hector S. Kollmyer.
Franklin, Frank F. Coburn.
Hancock, Edward F. O'Dowd.
Lincoln, James H. Gormley.
Lyman, John J. Sheehan.
Mather, Orris L. Beverage.
Quincy, Bertha Hazard.
Sherwin, Casper Isham.
Thomas Gardner, George E. Murphy.
Warren, James H. Leary.
Wells, Charles E. Harris.

Drawing Schools.

Masters—George H. Bartlett; George Jepson.
Principals—Charles L. Adams; Vesper L. George; Alexander Miller; Albert L. Ware.
On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—
Dorchester High School—Lucy A. Frost, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 3, 1907.
Christopher Gibson District—Florence A. Dunbar, assistant, from Sept. 13, 1906, until Jan. 13, 1907. Edith M. Sandsbury, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.
Lowell District—Mary W. Howard, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.
Mather District—Grace O. Allen, assistant, from Sept 13, until Nov. 13, 1906.
Oliver Hazard Perry District—Julia A. Noonan, first assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 17, until Oct. 17, 1906.
Quincy District—Marion L. Dally, assistant, from Sept. 12, until Nov. 12, 1906.
Sherwin District—Laura L. Brown, assistant, from Sept. 12, until Oct. 20, 1906.
Shurtleff District—Winnifred C. Folan, first assistant, Grammar School, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-

named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and his resignation was accepted to take effect Sept. 1, 1907:

Brimmer District—Quincy E. Dickerman, master, from Sept. 1, 1906, until Sept. 1, 1907.

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SUBSTITUTE, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the employment in the Dorchester High School of Frances Zirngiebel, an assistant in the grammar school of the Dudley District, as substitute for Lucy A. Frost, assistant in the Dorchester High School, granted leave of absence, be authorized, Miss Zirngiebel to be paid at the same rate as if she were teaching as assistant in a grammar school. Be it further

ORDERED, That while Miss Zirngiebel, because of her service in the Dorchester High School, is absent from her regular position in the Dudley School, her place in that school may be filled by a temporary teacher.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of seven minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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ESTABLISHMENT OF EVENING SCHOOLS.

The Superintendent recommended the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That evening schools be established for the term of 1906-07, as follows:

High Schools.

Central School, in the English High School-house, Montgomery street; Charlestown School, in the Copley School-house; East Boston School, in the East Boston High School-house; Roxbury School, in the Roxbury High School-house; South Boston School, in the South Boston High School-house.

Elementary Schools.

Bigelow School, in the Bigelow School-house; Bowdoin School, in the Bowdoin School-house; Eliot School, in the Eliot School-house; Franklin School, in the Franklin School-house; Hancock School, in the Hancock School-house; Lincoln School, in the Lincoln School-house; Lyman School, in the Lyman School-house; Mather School, in the Mather School-house; Quincy School, in the Quincy School-house; Sherwin School, in the Sherwin School-house; Thomas Gardner School, in the Thomas Gardner School-house; Warren School, in the Warren School-house; Wells School, in the Wells School-house.

Drawing Schools.

East Boston School, in the Old High School-house; Charlestown School, in the Old City Hall; School of Design, in the Public Latin School-house; Mechanic Arts High School, in the Mechanic Arts High School-house; Warren-avenue School, in the Public Latin School-house.

Laid on the table.

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EVENING HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

The Superintendent recommended the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That an Evening High School of Commerce be organized in connection with the Roxbury Evening High School; the subjects to be taught therein to be such as the Board of Superintendents approve.

Laid on the table.

COSTUME MODELS, EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the expenditure of the sum of two hundred and fifty dollars ($250) is hereby authorized for the services of costume models in the Evening Drawing Schools during the term of 1906-07.

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OFFICE FOR ASSISTANT DIRECTOR OF DRAWING AND MANUAL TRAINING.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, recommending that the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to fit up an office for the use of the Assistant Director of Drawing and Manual Training in the Public Latin School-house; also the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to fit up a room in the Public Latin School-house for occupation and use as the office of the Assistant Director of Drawing and Manual Training; the furniture in the office of the Principal of Manual Training Schools in the Dudley Grammar School building to be used, so far as possible, for this purpose.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

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ADDITIONAL CLERK, SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, requesting that he be allowed the services of an additional clerk, whose appointment for the present is to be temporary, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the employment of a stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent, to be paid for the services rendered at the rate of fifty dollars ($50) per month, is hereby authorized.

The communication was placed on file, and the order passed.

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RESIGNATION OF TRUANT OFFICER.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, transmitting an application from Frank Hasey, Truant Officer, for leave of absence on half-pay, from Sept. 1, 1906, to Sept. 1, 1907, and tendering his resignation to take effect on the latter date.

Placed on file, and, on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That Frank Hasey, Truant Officer, be granted leave of absence on full pay until Jan. 1, 1907, upon his filing his resignation as truant officer to take effect on that date.

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ANNUAL REPORT OF SUPERINTENDENT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, submitting the twenty-sixth annual report of the Superintendent of Public Schools, for the year 1905-6, School Document No. 9, 1906.

Placed on file.

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TEXT, REFERENCE AND SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, recommending the passage of the following orders as supplementary to the action taken in June with reference to the Authorized List of Text, Reference and Supplementary Books:—

1. ORDERED, That that part of order No. 5 appended to the aforesaid communication, relating to the Revised Edition of the Child's Book of Health, and the Revised Edition of Our Bodies and How We Live, for use as text-books in the grammar schools, apply also to the purchase of these books for reference use in the primary schools, and for supplementary use in the high and Latin Schools, respectively.

2. ORDERED, That the following omissions and amendments to foot notes in School Document No. 9, 1904, be adopted:—

Page 3, Note 5. Strike out the note and insert in place thereof the following:—

5. The selection of the particular course to be determined by the Board of Superintendents.

Page 10, Note 5. Strike out the note.

Page 10, Note 7. Strike out the note and insert in place thereof the following: To be furnished on the recommendation of the Board of Superintendents only as new books and charts are needed.

Page 11, Note 1. Strike out the note, and insert in place thereof the following:—

1. The selection of the particular course to be determined by the Board of Superintendents.

Page 33, Note 3. Strike out the note.

Page 41, Note 1. Strike out the note and insert in place thereof the following: 1. Or any edition approved by the Board of Superintendents.

The communication was placed on file, and the orders successively passed.

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COMPLETION OF ELIGIBLE LIST OF TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, stating that it is proposed to add to the current merit list the names of candidates who held certificates which were gained by examination and which were valid June 1, 1906; provided, that such candidates apply for rating on or before Oct. 15, 1906.

Placed on file.

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ILLEGAL EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, reporting that pursuant to the action taken at the last meeting he had acknowledged the receipt of the communication from His Excellency the Governor with regard to the illegal employment of minors, and applied for further information with regard to the alleged violations of the law referred to in the Governor's communication; that he had been referred to the Bureau of Statistics of Labor who had informed him that all information obtained by the census is deemed confidential and may not be furnished for public use except in the form of aggregates, and that the only way in which specific names and addresses can be disclosed is by action of the legislature.

Placed on file.

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HANCOCK SCHOOL FIRE AND FIRE ALARM SIGNALS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, reporting that at 1:45 o'clock A.M. on Wednesday, Sept. 12, a fire was discovered in the boiler room of the Hancock School-house, which was extinguished before it caused any great amount of damage. Investigation has failed to disclose who set the fire, or how admission was gained to the building, the janitor of which is, in his opinion, in no way responsible for the fire. Also calling attention to the fact that at present there is no uniform fire alarm signal in effect, and suggesting that one be adopted.

That part of the foregoing communication relating to the adoption of a uniform fire alarm signal was referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report, and the remainder placed on file.

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BILL OF MICHAEL GALLAGHER.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, transmitting a bill from Michael Gallagher, janitor of the Comins School-house, amounting to $127.50, for services rendered from July 20 to Sept. 9, 1906, Sundays and holidays included, in connection with the opening of the Comins School yard for the accommodation of residents of the district.

Recommitted to the Schoolhouse Custodian for a report with regard to the full amount of compensation received by said janitor.

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RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 15, 1906, transmitting the resignation of Martha F. Hall, janitor of the Harbor View-street and Mayflower School-houses, to take effect Oct. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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COURSE OF STUDY, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

That part of the course of study for the High School of Commerce relating to stenography and typewriting which was laid on the table at the previous meeting, was taken from the table and adopted.

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BELLS AND SCHOOL TELEPHONES, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Charles J. Lincoln, Head-Master of the Dorchester High School, under date of Sept. 17, 1906, requesting the Board to ask the Schoolhouse Commission to equip the three portable school-houses adjoining his main building with bells and school telephones.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to comply with the aforesaid request.

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ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

The communication from the Schoolhouse Commission laid over at the previous meeting relating to the question of accommodations for the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, was taken up for consideration, placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to fit up rooms in the old Dearborn School-house for the accommodation of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, and to remove thereto the equipment of said school which is now stored in the William Bacon School-house.

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RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF GRANVILLE S. WEBSTER.

Mr. William S. Kenny offered the following:

RESOLVED, That this Board has learned with deep regret of the death of Granville S. Webster, late principal of the Eliot District.

Mr. Webster was born at Chelmsford, November 27, 1833, and entered the service of the city as usher in the Eliot School

November 3, 1870. On September 1, 1875, he became sub-master of the same school, and was promoted to the position of principal October 7, 1895, where he remained until his death on July 21, 1906.

The thirty-six years that were spent by Mr. Webster in faithful service at the Eliot School were characterized by conscientious and unfailing devotion to duty. He was absent from his school on but two occasions during his long term, and then only because of the death of near relatives. Unassuming, genial, sincere, he labored with untiring fidelity. He was fortunate in that, despite his seventy-two years, he preserved his health and vigor, and apparently a keen enjoyment of his duties until the brief and sudden illness that carried him away.

His memory will long be cherished not only by those with whom he was associated in recent years, but by many men who in former times were identified with the old North End, and whose boyhood years were spent under Mr. Webster's teaching and influence.

RESOLVED, That these resolutions be spread upon the records of this Board, and that a copy thereof be transmitted to Mr. Webster's family as evidence of the high regard in which he was held and as an expression of sympathy in their grief.

The resolutions were adopted by a unanimous vote.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to order a special examination of any candidate or candidates for the position of director or supervisor of a special department, when in his judgment it is desirable.

TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN.

A communication was received from Milton E. Murray, under date of Sept. 10, 1906, relative to the transportation of children living in the vicinity of Summit avenue from and to the Washington Allston School during the noon intermission.

Referred to Mr. Brock and the Superintendent for consideration and report.

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ACCOMMODATIONS, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide permanent accommodations for the new High School of Commerce by the erection of a building of adequate size.

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SALARY OF SAMUEL J. MENARD.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of Samuel J. Menard, Superintendent's clerk, be fixed at the rate of twenty-four hundred dollars ($2400) per annum, to date from Oct. 1, 1906, and until otherwise ordered.

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FURNISHING OF LUNCHES IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the New England Kitchen is hereby authorized to continue the present arrangement for furnishing lunches for the pupils attending certain high schools during the term 1906-07, subject to further action by this Board.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:55 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

September 21, 1906.

A special meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee building, Mason street, at 3:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

CASE OF MRS. ACHSA M. MERRILL.

The Chairman presented sundry communications addressed to him by Edith Merrill Kettelle on behalf of Achsa M. Merrill, which were placed on file, and copies of letters addressed by him to Mrs. Merrill, which were approved.

Mrs. Kettelle appeared and was heard by the Committee.

ADJOURNMENT.

The Board adjourned at 5:50 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

September 24, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the meeting of Sept. 17 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

PRINCIPALS OF DISTRICTS.

The following appointments, laid over at the meeting of Sept. 17, 1906, came up for approval:

Brimmer District—George W. Ransom, master, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Dillaway District—Ellen M. Murphy, master, from Oct. 1, 1906.

The Chairman directed the Secretary to call the roll, and the aforesaid appointments were approved by the following vote:

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny and Storrow—5.

Nays—0.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

Girls' High School—Zephirine N. Brown, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

South Boston High School—Charlotte A. Kendall, teacher of drawing, Sept. 1, 1906.

Dudley District—M. Alice Kimball, assistant, Sept. 24, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Amy L. Crosby, assistant, Kindergarten, Sept. 1, 1906.

Longfellow District—Rose E. Keenan, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

Mather District—Laurilla J. Sanders, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

Prince District—Mary L. Fynes, first assistant, Grammar School, Sept. 1, 1906.

Quincy District—Joanna J. Kelley, assistant, Sept. 1, 1906.

Assistant in Drawing—Jennie C. Peterson, Oct. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Mechanic Arts High School—Chester M. Dunham, Decran J. Gulesian, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Bunker Hill District—Jaqueline Carroll, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Comins District—Grace M. Goodrich, from Sept. 25, 1906.

Eliot District—Marie V. O'Regan, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 28, 1906, inclusive. Katherine E. Hurley, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 28, 1906, inclusive.

Franklin District—Elizabeth Hutchings, from Sept. 25, 1906; Rena Lewis, from Oct. 1, 1906; Aloyse M. Owen, from Sept. 25, 1906.

George Putnam District — Mary M. French, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Hancock District—Bertha V. Martin, Ethel S. Murkland, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Henry L. Pierce District—Gertrude L. McCormick, from Sept. 19, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Anna L. Smith, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 19, 1906, inclusive, also from Sept. 24, 1906.

Hyde District—Helen E. Hermes, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Lewis District—Anna L. Smith, Kindergarten, from Sept. 20, 1906 (two days).

Mather District—Mary I. F. Montgomery, Kindergarten, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Norcross District—Jennie M. Gray, from Sept. 18, 1906.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—F. Maud MacLachlan, from Sept. 18, 1906. Katherine E. Neary, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 18, 1906, inclusive.

Phillips Brooks District—Jessie M. G. Wilkinson, from Sept. 19, 1906.

Quincy District—Josephine M. Hodgkinson, Azniv Beshgeturian, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Rice District—Bertha E. Davis, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Robert G. Shaw District—Rosemary Purcell, from Sept. 12, 1906. Laura F. Wentworth, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 14, 1906, inclusive. Grace L. White, Kindergarten, from Sept. 17, until Sept. 19, 1906, inclusive (3 days).

Winthrop District—Elizabeth Greenman, from Sept. 24, 1906; Caroline G. Tunis, from Sept. 19, 1906.

The reading of the aforesaid appointments was omitted, and they were approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Alvin P. Wagg, submaster, from Sept. 12, until Sept. 28, 1906, inclusive. Bessie C. MacBrine, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Dudley District—Margaret M. Brennan, assistant, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Everett District—Mary E. Vogel, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Thomas E. Kelley, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Mather District—Mary E. Vogel, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Warren District—Susan T. Rooney, assistant, from Sept. 20, until Sept. 24, 1906, inclusive.

Sewing—Helena M. Doherty, teacher, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Placed on file.

ON PROBATION.

Girls' Latin School—Fred H. Cowan, junior-master, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Dorchester High School—Rebekah C. Riley, special assistant instructor in drawing, from Sept. 25, 1906.

English High School—John E. J. Kelley, assistant instructor, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Girls' High School—Rosalie Y. Abbot, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906; Mabel A. Fitz, assistant, from Oct. 8, 1906; Alice M. Twigg, assistant, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Agassiz District—Caroline N. Poole, master's assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Bowditch District—Edna F. Hawes, assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Longfellow District—Helen M. Fogarty, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Prince District—Ellen G. Wiseman, assistant, from Sept. 24, 1906.

School on Spectacle Island—John A. O'Keefe, Jr., teacher, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Approved.

FOR CONFIRMATION.

Dorchester High School—Jane E. Gormley, assistant.

Bigelow District—Mary G. Sullivan, assistant.

Lawrence District—Florence J. Crawford, assistant, Kindergarten.

Mather District—Eleanor G. Hutchinson, first assistant, Kindergarten.

Approved.

EVENING SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the order presented by the Superintendent at the meeting of Sept. 17, 1906, establishing certain evening schools for the term 1906-07 (see Minutes page 177), was taken from the table.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the order was amended by striking out from the list of evening elementary schools the following: "Thomas Gardner School, in the Thomas Gardner School-house," and substituting in place thereof—Washington Allston School, in the Washington Allston School-house, with a branch in the William Wirt Warren School-house.

The order as amended passed.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the following appointments reported by the Superintendent at the meeting of Sept. 17, 1906, were taken from the table:—

PRINCIPALS OF EVENING SCHOOLS.

Term of 1906-07.

High Schools.

Central, Fred A. Fernald.
Charlestown, Herbert S. Weaver.
East Boston, Myron W. Richardson.
Roxbury, Lyman G. Smith.
South Boston, Edward P. O'Hara.

Elementary Schools.

Bigelow, Joseph A. Reddy.
Bowdoin, W. Hector S. Kollmyer.
Franklin, Frank F. Coburn.
Hancock, Edward F. O'Dowd.
Lincoln, James H. Gormley.
Lyman, John J. Sheehan.
Mather, Orris L. Beverage.
Quincy, Bertha Hazard.
Sherwin, Casper Isham.
Thomas Gardner, George E. Murphy.
Warren, James H. Leary.
Wells, Charles E. Harris.

Drawing Schools.

Masters—George H. Bartlett; George Jepson.

Principals—Charles L. Adams; Vesper L. George; Alexander Miller; Albert L. Ware.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 24, 1906, withdrawing the appointment of James H. Gormley as principal of the Lincoln Evening Elementary School, and that of Joseph A. Reddy as principal of the Bigelow Evening Elementary School, each having stated that he does not desire to accept the position to which he was appointed.

Placed on file.

At the request of the Superintendent the appointment of Frank F. Coburn as principal of the Franklin Evening Elementary School was also withdrawn.

The following additional appointments of principals of evening schools were reported by the Superintendent:—

Elementary Schools.

Bigelow, Frederick W. Swan.
Eliot, Walter Mooers.
Franklin, Clarence P. Coburn.
Lincoln, William W. Howe.

All of the aforesaid appointments as amended were thereupon approved.

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TRANSFERS.

Bigelow District—Carroll M. Austin, submaster, to the same position in the Dwight District, to date from Oct. 1, 1906.

Washington District—Julia F. Holland, assistant, to the same position in the Bowdoin District, to date from Oct. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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VACATION SCHOOLS.

Principal.

Joseph T. F. Burrell.

First Assistants.

Margaret M. Burke, Anna L. Cronin, Alice M. Dalton, Helena M. Flynn, Winifred M. Folan, Alice E. Joyce, Elizabeth A. Welsh.

Assistants.

Charlotte E. Abramson, Ella L. Bresnehen, Mary E. Flynn, Frances E. Keily, Mary A. Mahoney, Mary L. Moran, Mary A. Mulvey, M. Louise Murphy, Agnes T. Nolan, Elizabeth M. Quigley, Mildred H. Tavender.

Heads of Playgrounds.

Mary Lane, Julia A. Murphy, Margaret M. O'Connor.

Helpers in Playgrounds.

Margaret Dempsey, Anna M. Fenton, Helen L. Leahy, Alice I. Lynch, Irene C. Murray, Agnes L. Reagan, Frances E. Woods, Agnes G. Reardon.

Matrons.

Rose M. Carlin, Ellen Murphy.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the reading of the aforesaid appointments was dispensed with, and they were approved.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Esther Babcock, Helen T. Carmody, Filena Colby, Grace F. Cunningham, Alice M. Dicker, Agnes G. R. Fitzsimmons, Arthur J. Fotch, Anna F. Gorman, Sarah E. Haskins, Anne R. Howard, Annie A. Hawks, Mary A. G. Jones, Alice E. Joyce, Louise C. Keyes, Sigrid T. Larson, Mary E. McCarthy, Anna M. Magrath, Mary A. Maclean, Anna M. Murray, Jennie I. Paul, Alice M. Raymond, Mary J. Rogers, Susan T. Rooney, Alice G. Ryan, Nellie F. Suckling, Garretta K. Seger, Annie R. Toye, Mary L. Veazie, Margaret G. Wilder, Sarah F. Woodworth, Mabel E. Woodworth.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the aforesaid appointments was omitted, and they were approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bowdoin District—Catherine M. Dolan, assistant, from Sept. 12 until Nov. 12, 1906. Mary W. French, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.

Brimmer District—Edith L. Stratton, first assistant, Primary School, from Sept. 12 until Nov. 1, 1906.

Bunker Hill District—Kate T. Brooks, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.

Dearborn District—Lizzie M. Hersey, assistant, from Sept. 12 until Dec. 12, 1906.

Mather District—Annie Mackenzie, assistant, from Sept. 17 until Nov. 17, 1906.

Sewing—Emma G. Welch, teacher, from Sept. 12 until Dec. 1, 1906.

Schools of Cookery—Alice L. Manning, teacher, from Sept. 26 until Dec. 26, 1906.

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On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence to study, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified:—

Hancock District—Mary R. Thomas, first assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 1, 1906, until April 1, 1907.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, without pay:—

Sewing—Mary F. Doherty, teacher, from Sept. 1 until Dec. 1, 1906.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of twenty-six minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and the name of one minor to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the licenses of two minors to sell newspapers and of one minor to black boots, they having violated the conditions on which said licenses were granted them.
Approved.

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SCHOOL ON SPECTACLE ISLAND.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 24, 1906, in response to the action taken by the Board on June 23, 1906, relative to the maintenance of a school on Spectacle Island and the compensation of the teacher of said school, recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the salary of the teacher of the school on Spectacle Island be established at the rate of five hundred and fifty-two dollars ($552) per annum for the year ending Aug. 31, 1907; and that in addition thereto the further sum of forty-eight dollars ($48) be allowed for the other expenses connected with this school, except for books.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

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EVENING SCHOOL ADVERTISING.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the principal of each evening high school be allowed to expend an amount not exceeding ten dollars ($10), and the principal of each evening elementary school an amount not exceeding five dollars ($5) for printing and distributing advertising matter for the term 1906-07.

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CLASS IN COOKERY, JOHN A. ANDREW SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to fit up a room in the John A. Andrew School building for the use of a class in cookery.

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PAYMENT TO EDMUND B. HYNES.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That Edmund B. Hynes be paid the sum of thirty-four dollars ($34) for services rendered in the vacation schools during the season of 1906.

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WASHINGTON ALLSTON EVENING SCHOOL.

The Superintendent recommended the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That an additional first assistant be allowed in the Washington Allston Evening School during the term 1906-07, making two first assistants in this school in all.

The rules were suspended, and the order passed.

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FIRE ALARM SIGNALS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Sept. 24, 1906, in response to the action taken by the Board on Sept. 17, 1906, relative to the manner in which the fire-alarm signal is given in schools, reporting that it appears from returns received by him that there is no uniformity, and recommending that the matter be referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian with authority to direct that a uniform fire-alarm signal be established.

The communication was placed on file, the recommendation of the Superintendent adopted, and the Schoolhouse Custodian instructed to report thereon.

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BILL OF MICHAEL GALLAGHER.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 24, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Sept. 17, 1906, containing a report relative to the compensation received by Michael Gallagher, janitor of the Comins School-house.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That Michael Gallagher be paid the sum of one hundred twelve and 50-100 dollars ($112.50) for services rendered by him from July 20 to Sept. 9, 1906, Sundays and holidays included, in connection with the opening of the Comins School yard for the accommodation of residents of the district.

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MATHER EVENING SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 22, 1906, relative to the cost of opening the Mather and Lyceum Hall School buildings for evening school use, stating that in his opinion it would not be economical to open the Lyceum Hall building this year, but should the building be put in order at some future date it might be advisable to occupy it for such purposes. The Old Mather School-house, in his opinion, is in no way fitted for evening school use.

Placed on file.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 22, 1906, of the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors during the period from Sept. 12 to 20, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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DEATH OF JOHN D. HARDY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1906, reporting the death of John D. Hardy, janitor of the Ellis Mendell School-house, on Sept. 20, 1906.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, ELLIS MENDELL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 21, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Ellis Mendell School-house, caused by the death of the regular janitor, he had appointed John H. Kelley for a period of ten days or less, to date from Sept. 21, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 24, 1906, transmitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Ellis Mendell School-house.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the transfer to said position of William N. Carr, janitor of the John Boyle O'Reilly School-house, the applicant at the head of the list holding the required license, to date from Sept. 26, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, SHARP SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 22, 1906, transmitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Sharp School-house.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board approved the transfer to said position of the applicant standing second on the aforesaid list, viz., Nicholas J. Innis, janitor of the Tyler-street School-house, to date from Sept. 26, 1906; the applicant at the head of the list, Margaret Kelly, being passed over without prejudice.

JANITORSHIP, HARBOR VIEW-STREET AND MAYFLOWER SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 22, 1906, transmitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Harbor View-street and Mayflower School-houses.

Placed on file.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board approved the transfer to said position of the applicant standing second on the aforesaid list, viz., Nellie A. Phelan, janitor of the Bird School-house, to date from Oct. 1, 1906; the applicant at the head of the list, Margaret Kelly, being passed over without prejudice.

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JANITORSHIP, BIRD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Secretary was instructed to make requisition on the Civil Service Commission for the certification of eligible candidates to fill the vacancy in the position of janitor of the Bird School-house.

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JANITORS APPLYING FOR TRANSFER.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter when candidates for transfer to vacant janitorships are passed over without prejudice, it shall be so noted in the records.

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TRAINED NURSE, PHILLIPS DISTRICT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That permission is hereby granted the Instructive District Nursing Association to place a trained nurse in the schools of the Phillips District under the same conditions covering the services of nurses in the Bowdoin, Quincy and Wells Districts.

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WINTHROP SCHOOL ESTATE AND MASON STREET ESTATE.

The Chairman presented a form of communication to be issued by the Board created by Chapter 259 of the Acts of 1906 for the disposal of school property relinquished by the School Committee, requesting proposals for the Winthrop School Estate, on Tremont street, and the Mason-street Estate, occupied by this Board, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Chairman was authorized to sign such communication on behalf of this Board.

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FURNISHING OF LUNCHES IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

The Chairman stated that a communication had been received from the New England Kitchen, stating their intention of discontinuing their lunch service at various high schools; also a communication from Frank V. Thompson, head-master of the High School of Commerce, relative to providing such service for his school.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the entire matter was referred to the Chairman with full authority to make such arrangements with respect to this matter as he may deem expedient.

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LEAVE OF ABSENCE TO FLORENCE M. ROCHE.

The Chairman presented a communication addressed to him by James Jeffrey Roche requesting an extension of the leave of absence of Florence M. Roche, assistant in the offices of the Board, for a further period of six months from Oct. 1, 1906, without pay.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, extended leave of absence was granted for the term and on the conditions as aforesaid.

EVENING HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the order submitted by the Superintendent at the meeting of Sept. 17, 1906, that an Evening High School of Commerce in connection with the Roxbury Evening High School be organized, was taken from the table. (See minutes, page 177.)

On motion of the same member, the order was indefinitely postponed.

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CLASS IN SALESMANSHIP, BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That a class in salesmanship be established and maintained in the Bigelow Evening School during the term 1906-07.

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ELECTION OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board proceeded to the election of four truant officers.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, William A. O'Brien was elected to the position of truant officer, subject to the consent of the Police Commissioner, and the approval of the Civil Service Commission.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, John S. Clark was elected to the position of truant officer, subject to the consent of the Police Commissioner, and the approval of the Civil Service Commission.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, William J. O'Brien was elected to the position of truant officer, subject to the approval of the Civil Service Commission.

On motion of Mr. Brock, Julius Meyer was elected to the position of truant officer, subject to the approval of the Civil Service Commission.

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TERMS OF NEWSBOYS' LICENSES.

Mr. Brock presented a summary of the terms of the regulations relative to licensing of newsboys under fourteen years of age by the Board, which was placed on file, and on his motion, it was

ORDERED, That as a condition precedent to the issue of such licenses the applicant shall be required to copy in his own hand writing the aforesaid summary and present the same with his application for a license, and that the Superintendent be directed to issue such instructions as may be necessary to carry this requirement into effect.

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ASSIGNMENT OF A TRUANT OFFICER; ILLEGAL EMPLOYMENT OF MINORS AND SUPERVISION OF LICENSED MINORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That a truant officer to be designated by the Chief Truant Officer, subject to the approval of the Superintendent, shall be assigned to the duty of investigating cases of illegal employment of minors, and to the supervision of minors holding licenses issued by this Board.

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TRANSPORTATION OF PUPILS AND SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, WARD 25.

Mr. Brock made an oral report with reference to the communication received from Milton E. Murray, relative to the transportation of children living in the vicinity of Summit Avenue from and to the Washington Allston School during the noon intermission, which was referred to him at the meeting of Sept. 17, and on his motion, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to place a portable building within the district bounded as follows: Beginning at Washington street at the Brookline line; thence to Commonwealth avenue; thence to Summit avenue; thence to the Brookline line; thence by said line to the point of beginning, for the accommodation of some thirty pupils belonging to the first three grades of the elementary schools, or by providing equivalent quarters in a rented building.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:35 o'clock P.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

September 28, 1906.

A special meeting of the School Committee was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Ellis.

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CASE OF MRS. ACHSA M. MERRILL.

The Chairman presented two communications addressed to the Board by Edith Merrill Kettelle, under date of Sept. 22, 1906, on behalf of Achsa M. Merrill.

The Board went into executive session.

Mrs. Kettelle appeared and was heard by the Committee.

The doors were opened.

The aforesaid communications from Mrs. Kettelle, also her communication of Sept. 10, 1906, were placed on file.

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The rules being suspended, the following preamble and order, viz.:

WHEREAS, Achsa M. Merrill in a communication to the School Committee dated September 10, 1906, has made certain charges against her superiors in the service, and

WHEREAS, The said Achsa M. Merrill has not appeared in response to the request of the Committee to substantiate the charges, and has not retracted said charges, it is

ORDERED, That Achsa M. Merrill be and hereby is dismissed from the public school service.

were passed by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny, Storrow—4.

Nays—0.

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COMPENSATION OF JANITORS OF VACATION SCHOOLS.

Mr. William S. Kenny offered the following:

ORDERED, That the janitors of the vacation schools be paid for five weeks service from July 9 to August 10, 1906, inclusive.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

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ADJOURNMENT.

The Board adjourned at 9:50 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO.

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

October 1, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-Street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the meetings of Sept. 21, 24 and 28 was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:

Agassiz District—Caroline N. Poole, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

Edward Everett District—Lizzie M. Pearson, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

Gilbert Stuart District — Rebekah C. Riley, assistant, Sept. 25, 1906.

Harvard District—Katharine C. Wigg, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

Henry L. Pierce District—George W. Ransom, sub-master, Oct. 1, 1906.

Lawrence District—George S. Houghton, sub-master, Jan. 1, 1907.

Lewis District—Ellen M. Murphy, first assistant, Grammar School, Oct. 1, 1906.

Roger Wolcott District—Charlotte A. Fraser, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

Wells District—Lillian Hooper, first assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Agassiz District—Mary T. Galvin, from Sept. 12, to Sept. 26, 1906, inclusive; Hugh J. McElaney, from Sept. 12, 1906; Anna M. Meyer, from Sept. 12, to Sept. 19, 1906, inclusive.

Bowditch District—Annie C. Shea, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Bowdoin District—Ida M. Gilcrease, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Charles Sumner District—Frances M. Flanagan, from Sept. 26, 1906.

Dearborn District—Margaret M. Brennan, Ida F. Wall, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Eliot District—Katherine E. Hurley, Marie V. O'Regan, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Everett District—Charlotte E. Dogherty, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Horace Mann School—Mary E. Jenkins, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Alice M. Murray, Helen M. West, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Jefferson District—Irene A. Dooley, from Sept. 12, to Sept. 25, 1906, inclusive; Christine E. Glynn, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lewis District—Clara E. Nixon, from Sept. 12, to Sept. 14, 1906, three days; Esther Babcock, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1906; Katherine L. Ryan, Kindergarten, from Sept. 24, to Sept. 28, 1906, inclusive.

Mary Hemenway District—James T. Donovan, from Oct. 1, 1906; Mary R. Stapleton, from Sept. 25, 1906.

Mather District—Ellen E. Ellis, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Quincy District—Julia V. Guiney, from Sept. 13, 1906.

Robert G. Shaw District—Eleanor M. Osterberg, Kindergarten, from Sept. 20 to Sept. 21, 1906, inclusive.

Roger Wolcott District—Florence J. Preston, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Shurtleff District—Anna E. Murphy, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Washington Allston District—Amy V. Kingston, from Sept. 13, to Oct. 31, 1906, inclusive.

Wells District—Dora L. Adler, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, 1906; Fannie M. Gueth, Kindergarten, from Oct. 2, 1906.

The reading of the aforesaid appointments was omitted, and they were approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Quincy District—Alvin P. Wagg, sub-master, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Roger Wolcott District—Grace M. Cavanagh, assistant, from Sept. 25, 1906 (one day).

Warren District—Susan T. Rooney, assistant, from Sept. 25, 1906 (one day).

William E. Russell District—Mary K. Corbett, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Placed on file.

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DIRECTOR OF EVENING AND VACATION SCHOOLS.

Director of Evening and Vacation Schools—Charles M. Lamprey, on probation, from Oct. 15, 1906.

Laid over.

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ON PROBATION.

English High School—John E. Denham, instructor, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Harvard District—Laura F. Wentworth, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Lawrence District—Edwin C. Howard, sub-master, from Jan. 2, 1907.

Lewis District—Alice O'Neil, master's assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Wells District—Mary P. Corrigan, first assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Normal School—Sarah A. Lyons, Gertrude Weeks, assistants.

East Boston High School—M. Ursula Magrath, assistant.

Adams District—Ethel M. Coe, assistant.

Blackinton District—Kate E. McMullin, assistant; Margaret Chandler, assistant, Kindergarten.

Bowdoin District—Ethel G. Ross, assistant.

Chapman District—Marion P. McPhee, assistant.

Lyman District—Margaret A. Cronin, John J. Maloney, assistants; Florence M. Weltch, first assistant, Kindergarten; Sybil M. Grimes, assistant, Kindergarten.

Wells District—Laura W. Cook, assistant.

Manual Training Schools—Mary J. Marlow, instructor; Elise Jonsson, Sarah I. Wilson, assistant instructors.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

For the Term 1906-07.

Central High School—Assistants: William L. Anderson, William T. Atwood, Gardner P. Balch, James W. Blaisdell, Oscar H. Bresee, Albert S. Briggs, John J. Cadigan, Frank O. Carpenter, Francis M. Carroll, Frank R. Clark, John M. Connolly,

Frank M. Copeland, Frank B. Davis, Frederick W. Doring, William R. P. Emerson, Charles A. French, Ivory F. Frisbee, Peter F. Gartland, George B. Hayward, Guy E. Healey, Edwin A. Howes, Edgar E. Hulse, John M. Hussey, Charles M. Lamprey, Jacob Lehmann, Harrison F. Lyman, James W. Mace, jr., Charles T. Marsh, William G. S. McIntyre, Samuel W. Mendum, John H Moore, Henri Morand, Arthur B. Morong, Irving M. Norcross, Frank E. Poole, Camille Ried, William J. Sanders, Henry C. Shaw, Fred O. Small, Arthur T. Smith, Agnes C. Strebeigh, George R. Taylor, Harry L. Thompson, F. Edwin Walter, Edwin H. Watson, Frank W. White, Edward C. Wyatt, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Charlestown High School — Assistants: Timothy J. Buckley, William B. Carpenter, Joseph C. Dennis, Ervin W. Engler, Thomas S. Gill, Arthur Harrington, Laura A. C. Hughes, Theresa E. Leen, Christina M. McCarthy, James M. Murdock, Charles H. D. Murphy, Llewellyn O. White, (Typewriting) Julia Cody, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

East Boston High School—Assistants: Joel C. Bolan, Francis J. Conlin, Owen D. Evans, Arthur J. Fotch, Edward F. Loughlin, James B. Machugh, Edward J. Muldoon, Mary F. Power, Charles E. Simpson, Nathaniel J. Young, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Roxbury High School—Assistants: William L. Bates, Leon C. Colman, Hewitt G. Fletcher, Frederic B. Hall, Henry W. Kirmayer, Alice L. McManus, James W. Mudge, Louis P. Nash, Sidney Peterson, William J. Sands, Allan L. Sedley, Thomas J. Sheahan, Edward L. Underwood, Georgiana V. Wait, Walter B. Waterman, Evans Webster, Georg von Wieren; (pianist) Eugenia E. Holahan, to date from October 8, 1906.

South Boston High School—Assistants: Joseph T. F. Burrell, Joseph B. Egan, W. Stanwood Field, Everett L. Getchell, Edwin F. Kimball, John E. J. Kelley, Joseph Kirwen, Theobald A. Lynch, Francis H. MacCarthy, Adelbert H. Morrison, Maurice J. O'Brien, N. Perry Sipprelle, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Bigelow School—First assistant, James A. Crowley; assistants, Mary L. Brennan, Margaret M. Burke, James T. Donovan, Mary T. Galvin, Jennie M. Gray, Mary E. Jones, Mary E. Keenan, Thomas E. Kelley, Mary L. Moran, Joseph A. F. O'Neil, Gertrude A. Power, Margaret L. Ryan, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Bowdoin School—First assistant, Ida E. Hall (under a special order); assistants, Edith L. Abbott, Deborah F. Barry, Katharine L. Colbert, Rose A. Conry, Emily M. Desmond, Anna J. Harmon, Catherine A. Hogan, Harriet E. Kingsbury, Christina W. MacLachlan, Eva M. Neth, Alice M. Roche, Alice G. Ryan, Alice S. Small, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Eliot School—First assistant, Julius A. Weigmann; assistants, Anna E. Burke, Helen M. Cleveland, Mary A. Connelly, Madalene I. Curry, Lillie J. Davis, Frances G. Dixon, Mary E. Fennelly, Mary G. Goldsbury, Teresa C. Hoye, Dora L. Lourie, Annie Lynch, Eleanor L. McGourty, Ida L. Merriam, Anna M. Meyer, Alice F. Moore, Clara E. Nixon, Katherine G. O'Brion, Bertha A. Pettee, M. Grace Pinkham, Margaret M. Sullivan, Linwood Taft, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Franklin School—First assistant, James Burrier; assistants, L. Frances Crane, Adalena H. Dudley, Charlotte M. Frost, Emma B. Huse, Mary A. G. Jones, Elizabeth E. O'Connell, May M. Stetson, Marian A. Suck, Sarah F. Woodworth, to date from Oct. 8, 1906; Anna M. Murray, Elizabeth H. Norman, Margaret M. O'Brien, Annie M. Trundy, Mabel E. Woodworth, to date from Oct. 10, 1906; Eunice F. Bancroft, to date from Oct. 15, 1906.

Hancock School—First assistants, Philip Davis (under a special order), Hugh J. McElaney; assistants, Mary T. Baker, Katherine C. Brady, Frances Burnce, Margaret A. M. Collins, Grace G. Colman, Louise M. De Voto, Mary M. Gallivan, Mary A. Geary, Christine E. Glynn, Regina M. Hart, Eleanor A. Larivee, Rena Lewis, Agnes M. Mahoney, Margaret G. Moore, Marie Morse, Adeline M. Norton, Linda C. O'Dowd, Angela M. Pearce, Sigmund Pollak, Rosemary Purcell, Mary H. Shed, Charlotte R. Weild, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Lincoln School—First assistant, Leonard M. Patton; assistants, M. Louise Costello, Vincent A. Keenan, Louise C. Keyes, Katherine R. Murphy, Annie R. Toye, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Lyman School—First assistant, John J. Maloney; assistants, Emma L. Carroll, Elleanor P. Cox, Mary E. Conlin, Annie E. Dennis, Elizabeth A. Donahue, Katherine E. Flanagan, Mary A. A. Haverty, Josephine M. Hodgkinson, Frances E. Kelly, Mary E. Lowder, Alice M. Murray, Marie V. O'Regan, Minnie D. Penzanski, Florence Rice, Mary A. Starkey, Eileene A. Sweeney, Arthur Williams, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Mather School—First assistant, Alvin P. Wagg; assistants, Elvira L. Austin, Mary I. Coggeshall, Genevieve R. Dore, Elizabeth Hutchings, Annie L. Killion, Mary E. Kinsley, Gertrude E. Mayo, Mary I. McIsaac, Ellen R. Scott, George T. Sweet, Helen M. West, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Quincy School—Assistants, Ida M. Gilcrease, Mary P. Howland, Howard G. Kingman, Ella M. Phelps, William A. Reed, John C. Riley, Anna E. Theisinger, Kate V. Tiernay, Calliope S. Vaitses, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Sherwin School—Assistants, Margaret M. Brennan, Mary C. Carr, Georgiana Charleston, Catherine G. Kelleher, Vincent L. Kelley, Sigrid T. Larson, Mary Maher, Grace E. Maloney, Annie E. McWilliams, Theresa C. Murray, Mary Justine O'Neill, Lillie M. Redfern, Rebecca F. Silbert, Elizabeth A. Wood, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Warren School—First assistant, Thomas E. Winston; assistants, Abbie G. Grandison, Mary M. Hayes, Katherine E. Hurley, Josephine A. Power, Elizabeth L. Rogers, Susan T. Rooney, Elizabeth J. Turnbull, Elisabeth S. Webster, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Washington Allston School—First assistant, Edwin C. Howard; assistants, Ellen L. Bresnehen, Josephine W. Cowan, Katherine E. Cufflin, Florence M. Fogarty, Theresa F. Long, F. Maud MacLachlan, Julia F. Sawyer, Susan True, Lena B. Winter, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Wells School—Assistants: Sidney E. Bailey, Maria L. Brennan, Mary E. Coveney, David Fliegelman, Louise M. Foss, Mabel A. Harris, Marie F. Hill, Mildred Kallen, Ellen T. O'Keefe, Clara A. Osgood, Anna T. O'Sullivan, Mary W. Perry, Katie Roud, Margaret E. Sheehan, Mary E. Smith, Mary C. Sullivan, Mary V. Sullivan, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Drawing Schools—Assistants: Herbert W. Adams, Anna K. Blaisdell, Annie E. Blake, Stephen B. Boyd, William B. Bradford, James Brough, William F. Brown, Henry K. Burrison, J. Albert Cole, William P. Edwards, John L. Frisbee, Felix A. Gendrot, Joseph H. Hawes, Josiah P. Hayward, Charles E. Heil, William L. Judkins, Edward R. Kingsbury, Walter H. Naylor, Arthur E. Norton, Henry W. Poor, Charles W. Sawyer, Albert F. Schmitt, Minnie S. Seaver, Herbert D. White, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Curators—East Boston School, Chester W. Allen; Charlestown School, Claude H. Bates; Warren-Avenue School, Winthrop S. Davis; School of Design, Charles J. Brady; Mechanic Arts High School, J. Fred

Sayer, Jr.; Roxbury School, Fred L. Wetherbee, to date from Oct. 8, to Oct. 19, 1906, inclusive.

The reading of the aforesaid appointments was omitted, and they were approved.

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TRANSFERS.

Brimmer District—Harriet F. Smith, assistant, to the same position in the Phillips District, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Quincy District—Frank F. Courtney, submaster, to the same position in the Henry L. Pierce District, to date from Oct. 1, 1906.

Washington District—Nellie G. Kelley, first assistant, Primary School, to the same position in the Oliver Wendell Holmes District, to date from Oct. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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VACATION SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, withdrawing the appointment of Elizabeth A. Welsh as a first assistant in the vacation schools during the season of 1906, made at the meeting of Sept. 24, and substituting therefor that of Bessie J. Welch; the appointment of Elizabeth A. Welsh having been a clerical error.

Approved.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Theodora Ballou, Corinna Barry, Bessie L. Barnes, Ida M. Carliell, Celia M. Choate, Mary E. Cochran, Mary M. Crampton, Z. Zay Engle, Josephine Fokes, Miriam Harris, Regina M. Hart, Lucy F. Hunter, Anna T. Kelley, Sara E. L'Orage, Edna B. Manship, Alice L. McManus, Julia A. Murphy, Ella F. Murray, Sarah L. O'Toole, Sarah F. Pierce, William J. Sands, Rebecca F. Silbert, Jessie L. Sweet, Edward L. Underwood, Frances B. Walker, Annie C. Webber, Carrie L. Worthen, Helen E. Wray.

The reading of the aforesaid appointments was omitted, and they were approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Normal School—Alice M. Dickey, assistant, from Oct. 3, 1906, until Feb. 3, 1907.

East Boston High School—Emma B. Harris, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906, until Feb. 1, 1907.

Bowdoin District—Mary F. Murphy, assistant, from Sept. 20 until Nov. 1, 1906.

Bunker Hill District—Mary D. Richardson, assistant, from Sept. 21 until Nov. 21, 1906.

Eliot District—Clara A. Malloch, first assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1 until Nov. 1, 1906.

Hancock District—Eleanor A. M. Colleton, assistant, from Sept. 12 until Oct. 1, 1906.

Norcross District—Catherine H. Murphy, assistant, from Sept. 12 until Dec. 1, 1906.

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On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence to study and travel, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bowditch District—Mary A. M. Papineau, assistant, from Oct. 8, 1906, until July 1, 1907.

Dudley District—Sarah H. Williams, first assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 5, 1906, until May 29, 1907.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect on Oct. 1, 1907:—

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—E. Louise Brown, first assistant, Primary School, from Oct. 1, 1906, until Oct. 1, 1907.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-nine minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and the name of one minor to be licensed to black boots.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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ADDITIONAL SUB-MASTER, PHILLIPS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, stating that he is of the opinion that the Phillips District should have three submasters, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the employment of an additional sub-master in the Phillips District is hereby authorized, for the school year 1906-07.

The communication was placed on file, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

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CURATORS, EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, recommending the appointment of curators for the evening drawing schools for a term of two weeks, during which time the necessity of continuing them in the service may be completely determined.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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COURSE IN SALESMANSHIP, BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to employ lecturers to conduct a course in salesmanship in the Bigelow Evening School, for a period of twelve (12) weeks, at an expense not to exceed one hundred and fifty dollars ($150).

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CHARLESTOWN EVENING HIGH SCHOOL.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That for the term of 1906-07, in addition to the Copley building, the Charlestown Evening High School may occupy portable building No. 89, and the rented quarters at No. 8 Pearl street, Charlestown.

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HANCOCK EVENING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That a branch of the Hancock Evening Elementary School be established in the Christopher Columbus School building, for the term 1906-07.

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ADDITIONAL FIRST ASSISTANT, HANCOCK EVENING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

The Superintendent recommended the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That an additional first assistant is hereby allowed in the Hancock

Evening Elementary School, for the term 1906-07.

The rules were suspended, and the order passed.

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BOWDOIN EVENING ELEMENTARY SCHOOL.

The Superintendent recommended the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That the employment of a woman as first assistant in the Bowdoin Evening Elementary School is hereby authorized for the term of 1906-07, instead of a male first assistant to which the school is entitled under the rules.

The rules were suspended, and the order passed.

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JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, stating that the Board of Management of the Jamestown Exposition has asked Boston to be one of five cities to make an educational exhibit, and recommending that the invitation be accepted.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the Chairman was requested to appoint a sub committee of the Board to consider and report what, if any, action it would be wise for the School Committee to take in the matter, and to confer with the Mayor on the subject.

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The Chairman appointed as such committee: Messrs. Ellis and William S. Kenny.

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BOUNDARY LINES, MARTIN DISTRICT

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter the boundary lines of the Martin District, for boys and girls, shall be as follows:—

Martin District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at the junction of Ruggles and Parker streets; thence by the rear of the westerly sides of Parker and Hemenway streets to Bryant street; thence by the centre of Bryant street to the Fenway; thence by the centre of the Fenway in a westerly direction to the Brookline boundary line; thence by said boundary line to Huntington avenue; thence by the centre of Huntington avenue to Parker Hill avenue; thence by the rear of the westerly and southerly sides of Parker Hill avenue to Parker street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Parker street to Tremont street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Tremont street to Phillips street; thence by the centre of Phillips street to Smith street; thence by the centre of Smith street to Parker street; thence by the centre of Parker street to Prentiss street; thence by the centre of Prentiss street to Halleck street; thence by the centre of Halleck street to the junction of Halleck and Caldwell streets; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Caldwell street to Parker street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Parker street to the point of beginning.

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BOUNDARY LINES, SHERWIN DISTRICT.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That hereafter the boundary lines of the Sherwin District, for boys, shall be as follows:—

Sherwin District, for Boys.

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the centre of Ruggles street to Halleck street; thence by the centre of Halleck street to Caldwell street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Caldwell street to Parker street; thence by the rear of the westerly sides of Parker and Hemenway streets to Bryant street; thence by the centre of Hemenway street to Gainsborough street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Gainsborough street to the Boston and Providence Railroad; thence by the centres of Camden street and Columbus avenue to Westfield street; thence by the centres of Westfield and Tremont streets to Kendall street; thence by the rear of the northeasterly side of Kendall street to Shawmut avenue; thence by the centre of Shawmut avenue to Woodbury street; thence by the centres of Woodbury and Thorndike streets to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centres of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

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INDUSTRIAL SUBJECTS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Sept. 28, 1906, recommending that the Superintendent be authorized to establish classes in the following-named subjects in such of the evening schools as the Board of Superintendents may approve: Dressmaking, sewing, millinery, embroidery, domestic science, cookery, woodworking.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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CLAY MODELLING, LEWIS SCHOOL.

A communication was receved from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Sept. 28, 1906, recommending that clay modelling be authorized in the Lewis School.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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JANITORSHIP, BIRD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Sept. 24, 1906, reporting that the following-named persons had been certified by the Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Bird School-house: Carl I. Priest, John D. Devine and George P. Young.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Bird School-house, caused by the transfer of the regular janitor, he had appointed Georgiana Griffin for a period of ten days or less, to date from Oct. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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JANITORSHIP, JOHN BOYLE O'REILLY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Sept. 29, 1906, transmitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the John Boyle O'Reilly School-house.

Placed on file, and the transfer of the applicant standing at the head of the list, viz., James H. Dickie, janitor of the Abby W. May School-house, was approved, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the John Boyle O'Reilly School-house, caused by the transfer of the regular janitor, he had appointed Thomas Buckner, janitor of the John A.

Andrew School-house, to take charge of the building for a period of ten days or less, to date from Oct. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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PAYMENT TO JOHN H. KELLEY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, recommending that there be paid to John H. Kelley, the sum of $30.67 for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Ellis Mendell School-house from Sept. 21 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to John H. Kelley the sum of thirty and 67-100 dollars ($30.67) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Ellis Mendell School-house from Sept. 21 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, of the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors, during the period from Sept. 21 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, reporting that he had appointed, subject to the approval of the Board, Edward A. Moore, janitor of the Dearborn School-house, to the same position in the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, located in the old Dearborn School-house, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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JANITORSHIP, TYLER-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, reporting the name of John J. Norton, janitor of the Common-street School-house, as the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Tyler-street School-house.

Placed on file, and the transfer of John J. Norton was approved, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, 33 CHAMBERS-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, reporting that he had appointed, subject to the approval of the Board, Charles D. Gallagher, regular janitor of the Wells School-house, to the same position in the hired quarters, No. 33 Chambers Street, to date from Sept. 27, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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FIRE ALARM DRILL AND SIGNAL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, in response to the action of the Board at the meeting of Sept. 24, 1906, with reference to the establishment of a uniform fire alarm signal containing the following recommendations:

1. The first duty of a master, janitor, or any teacher discovering that a building is on fire, or on being informed by a pupil that such is the case, is to give the fire alarm signal on the school bells, which is four strokes repeated, viz.:

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wait three seconds—

1—1—1—1

2. The master shall designate the janitor or some other person to pull in the nearest fire department box in case of actual fire as soon as the same shall be discovered.

3. The janitor and each teacher shall then repair immediately to their respective stations as designated by the master and assist in getting the pupils out of the building as rapidly as possible, and in accordance with the plan established by each master for his respective buildings.

Placed on file, the foregoing recommendations adopted, and the Superintendent requested to issue such instructions as may be necessary to carry the aforesaid plan into effect.

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ECONOMY IN USE OF GAS AND ELECTRIC LIGHT.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to communicate with the masters, and the Schoolhouse Custodian with the janitors, with reference to the exercise of greater economy in the consumption of gas and electric light, and that the Custodian shall cause to be posted in each school-house a statement of the amount of each monthly bill during the previous year for artificial light, to which shall be added during the current year, as a basis for comparison, the cost of such service for each successive month.

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APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills for the month of October, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditor, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Ellis.

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CIVIL SERVICE EXAMINATION FOR TRUANT OFFICERS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Civil Service Commissioners be requested to hold an examination for truant officers versed in the Italian language.

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TRUSTEES OF TEACHERS' RETIREMENT FUND.

The Board proceeded to the election of two Trustees of the Teachers' Retirement Fund, Mr. Brock nominating therefor Messrs. Ellis and William S. Kenny.

The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—

For David A. Ellis: Messrs. Brock, William S. Kenny and Storrow.

For William S. Kenny: Messrs. Brock, Ellis and Storrow.

The Chairman declared David A. Ellis and William S. Kenny duly elected Trustees of the Boston Public School Teachers' Retirement Fund for the term of two years.

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APPLICATIONS OF RESIDENTS OF ABERDEEN DISTRICT FOR FREE TUITION IN BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

Mr. Brock, to whom was referred at the meeting of Sept. 10, communications from Josiah S. Dean, J. E. Martin and William C. Atwood, residents of the Aberdeen District, asking that their children be permitted to attend Brookline Schools at the expense of the city, recommended that such permission be granted, and that the Superintendent be authorized, in his discretion, to grant similar permission to other elementary school pupils above the third grade residing in the Aberdeen District.

Accepted, and the foregoing recommendation adopted.

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TRANSPORTATION OF SCHOOL CHILDREN, WARD 25.

Mr. Brock, to whom was referred at the meeting of Sept. 17, a communication from Milton E. Murray, relative to the transportation of children living in the vicinity of Summit avenue from and to the Washington Allston School during the noon intermission, made a further report thereon, stating that inasmuch as the electric car service on Commonwealth avenue is easy of access and will take the children of this locality within five minutes' walk of the Washington Allston School, there are no reasons peculiar alone to this neighborhood for providing transportation facilities for such pupils, and recommending that the application be placed on file.

Accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

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PENSIONS FOR TEACHERS.

Mr. Ellis presented the following report:—

The special committee appointed to formulate a plan for the pensioning of instructors begs to report that a general plan based on a pension of one-half the salary has been already prepared, but that many of its details remain to be further digested before a formal presentation to the Board. These are now in the hands of insurance actuaries and mathematical experts, and your committee hopes shortly to be able to present to the Board a comprehensive pension scheme.

Placed on file.

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REGULATIONS GOVERNING USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS AND CHARGES THEREFOR.

The Secretary submitted a draft of revised regulations governing the use of school buildings and charges to be made for heat, light and janitor service, which were adopted.

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PURCHASE OF ADDRESSING MACHINE.

At the request of the Secretary, it was

ORDERED, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding eighty-five dollars ($85) is hereby authorized for the purchase of an addressing machine and accompanying fittings for use in the offices of the School Committee.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:18 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

October 8, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the records of the meeting of Sept. 24, 1906, were amended on page 184 as follows: By striking out the name of the Thomas Gardner Evening Elementary School, of which school George E. Murphy was elected principal, and substituting therefor the name Washington Allston School.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

Thomas Gardner District—Laura Stevens, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 8, 1906.

Washington District—Ella F. Grafton, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Dudley District—Eva M. Neth, from Oct. 10, 1906.

Dwight District—Elinor Maher, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Emerson District—Florence J. Preston, from Sept. 20 to 21, 1906 (two days).

Gilbert Stuart District—M. Louise Costello, from Sept. 12, to Oct. 9, 1906, inclusive (twenty days). John C. Riley, from Sept. 12 to 14, 1906, inclusive (three days). Ethel M. Coleman, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12 to 19, 1906, inclusive (six days).

John A. Andrew District—Alice L. Brummett, Kindergarten, Sept. 12 and 13, 1906 (two days). Mabel G. Finlay, Kindergarten, from Sept. 20, 1906. Edith M. Robertson, Katherine G. O'Brion, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lincoln District—Edith A. Duclos, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Lowell District—Edith M. Snow, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Martin District—Mary V. Cronin, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Minot District—Katharine L. Ryan, Kindergarten, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Robert G. Shaw District—Ethel M. Coleman, Kindergarten, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Roger Wolcott District—Josephine A. Merrick, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—Dorothy Hill, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Approved.

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Mr. Thomas J. Kenny in the Chair.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Mary M. McLaughlin, assistant, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Dudley District—Evelyn G. McGinley, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.

George Putnam District—Katherine L. Driscoll, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lincoln District—Julia E. Donovan, assistant, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Washington District—Linwood Taft, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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ON PROBATION.

English High School—William J. Henderson, assistant instructor, from Oct. 22, 1906.

Approved.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Lyman District—Lillian A. McCall, assistant.

Quincy District—Lillian D. Peirce, Elva E. Price, assistants.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

East Boston High School—Sarah H. Jacobus, teacher of physical training, from Oct. 1, 1906, until Sept. 1, 1907; without pay.

Bigelow District—Katharine P. Kelley, assistant, from Sept. 24, until Oct. 5, 1906.

Brimmer District—Edith L. Stratton, first assistant, Primary School, from Nov. 1, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

Everett District—Minna L. Wentworth, assistant, from Oct. 8, 1906, until Feb. 8, 1907.

Phillips Brooks District—Isabel Thacher, assistant, from Sept. 12, until Dec. 21, 1906.

Shurtleff District—Lillian M. Hall, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906, until Jan. 12, 1907.

Sewing—Nida F. Vesper, teacher, from Oct. 1, until Dec. 21, 1906.

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On the report of the Superintendent the following leave of absence was granted, subject to the usual deduction of salary during the period of absence, and the substitute named was approved:—

Medical Inspector—Dr. Arthur C. Jelly, from Sept. 19, until Nov. 1, 1906; substitute, Dr. Charles G. Dewey.

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Mr. Storrow in the Chair.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

For the Term of 1906-07.

Central High School—Assistants, Charles F. Abbott, from Oct. 10, 1906; William F. Roberts, from Oct. 12, 1906; Special Assistant, Typewriting Department, Henry G. Burke, from Oct. 8, 1906; Laboratory Assistant, Philip F. Kennedy, from Oct. 8, 1906; Special Assistant, Edward J. Connell, from Oct. 8, 1906; Pianist, Margaret J. Sandholzer, from Oct. 15, 1906.

Charlestown High School — Assistant, Daniel Foley; Special Assistant, Thomas S. Gill, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Roxbury High School—Assistants, Joseph P. Cady, Edward B. Hale, William W. Locke, Camille Ried; Laboratory Assistant, Lewis I. Nurenberg; Special Assistant, William H. Nelson, from Oct. 8, 1906.

South Boston High School—Special Assistant, Michael J. Downey, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Bigelow School—Assistants, Charlotte E. Abramson, Catherine E. Bergen, Margaret M. Burke, Anna G. Carr, Alice E. Cunningham, Margaret M. Downing, Louise M. Fitzpatrick, Helena M. Flynn, Anna C.

Grimes, Laura M. Hawkins, Alice Healy, Agnes R. Hurley, Hattie R. McPherson, Henry Palmer, Eleanor Rogan, Mary A. Wogan, from Oct. 8, 1906; Interpreter, Julian K. Sliwkoski, from Oct. 11, 1906.

Eliot School—Assistants, Miriam J. Bronski, Nina M. Doanan, Fannie W. Weeks; Interpreters, Philipas P. Apostolopoulos, Carlo C. Grillo, Joseph De Marco, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Franklin School—Assistants, Azniv Beshgeturian, Rose G. Harris, Harriet White; Interpreter, Harry S. Bernstein, from Oct. 10, 1906; Interpreters, Samuel N. Cohen, Louis Leyser, Hyman Morrison, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Hancock School—Interpreters, Olympia De Feo, Henry Katz, Samuel Starr, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Lyman School—Assistants, Nellie E. Dunne, Stephen J. Murdock, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Mather School—First assistant, James A. Treanor; assistant, Frances A. Neilson, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Sherwin School—First assistant, Elmer E. Sherman; assistant, Ellen M. Finnerty, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Washington Allston School—First assistant, Charles H. Taylor (under a special order); assistant, Amy V. Kingston, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Wells School—Interpreters, Esther K. Casson, Sanda R. Herson, Mark M. Horblitt, Louis Levin, James P. Oppenheim, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Approved.

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TRANSFER.

Mather Evening Elementary School—First assistant, Alvin P. Wagg, to the same position in the Eliot Evening Elementary School, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Placed on file.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Adams District—(Plummer Kindergarten No. 1) Esther Nyberg; (Plummer Kindergarten No. 2), Clara Knudson, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Agassiz District—(Agassiz Kindergarten), Alice Ballou; (Francis Parkman Kindergarten), Katherine G. Rowen, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Bennett District—(Congregational Church Kindergarten), Olive D. Parker; (Winship Kindergarten), Julia F. Gillen, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Blackinton District—(Blackinton Kindergarten), Eleanor Tosi; (Paul Jones Kindergarten), Emma J. Coo, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Brimmer District — (Warrenton-street Kindergarten), Edna Thomas, from Sept. 12 to Oct. 10, 1906, inclusive; Emma E. Davis, from Oct. 11, 1906.

Chapman District—(Tappan Kindergarten No. 1), Mehitable M. Snow; (Tappan Kindergarten No. 2), Alice F. Hughes, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Charles Sumner District—(Florence-street Kindergarten), Ida M. Stackpole; (Stephen M. Weld Kindergarten), Margaret W. Porter, from Sept. 13, 1906.

Christopher Gibson District—(Atherton Kindergarten), Ethel S. Thompson, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Comins District—(Columbus-avenue Kindergarten), Marie McGrath; (Cottage place Kindergarten), Josephine Haley; (Phillips street Kindergarten), Mary G. McCann; (Smith-street Kindergarten), Annie M. McKenstrom, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Dearborn District—(Aaron Davis Kindergarten), Bertha Hucksam, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Dillaway District—(Abby W. May Kindergarten), Jessie McLean; (Kenilworth-street Kindergarten), Anna Ward, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Dudley District—(Miles Standish Kindergarten), Katherine Murphy; (William Bacon Kindergarten), Minnie Gravert, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Edward Everett District—(Old Edward Everett Kindergarten), Marjorie Hall, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Eliot District—(Christopher Columbus Kindergarten), Louisa Garibotto; (Pormort Kindergarten), Celia Pote, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Emerson District—(Noble Kindergarten), Mary L. Murphy, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Everett District—(West Concord-street Kindergarten), Mary F. Martin, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Franklin District—(Cook Kindergarten), Lulu F. Moore, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Frothingham District—(William H. Kent Kindergarten), Gertrude F. Regan, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Gaston District—(Tuckerman Kindergarten), Helen G. O'Neill, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Gilbert Stuart District—(Adams-street Kindergarten), Ethel R. Weeks; (Stoughton Kindergarten), Sarah W. Carpenter, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Hancock District—(Cushman Kindergarten), Raphaella Langone; (North End Union Kindergarten), Clara Cuneo; (North Margin-street Kindergarten), Laura Cataldo, Rosa Perriello; (Paul Revere Kindergarten), Jeanie Gavone, Jennie Strollo, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Harvard District—(Common-street Kindergarten), Ellen E. Fox; (Harvard Hill Kindergarten), Nora L. Downey, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Henry L. Pierce District—(Bailey-street Kindergarten), Amy T. Caldwell; (John Greenleaf Whittier Kindergarten), Marie A. Dawe, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—(Hugh O'Brien Kindergarten), Sadie Harper; (Samuel W. Mason Kindergarten), Mamie McNamara, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Hyde District—(Hyde Kindergarten), Annie E. Bierfeldt, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Jefferson District—(Heath-street Kindergarten), Louise Dunning, from Sept. 12 to 25, 1906, inclusive; (Jefferson Kindergarten), Elizabeth H. Flynn, from Sept. 12 to 25, 1906, inclusive.

John A. Andrew District—(John Boyle O'Reilly Kindergarten), Annie T. Malloy, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lawrence District—(Samuel G. Howe Kindergarten), Anna C. Adams; ((Parkman Kindergarten), Alice F. Nuttall, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lincoln District—(Choate Burnham Kindergarten), Mary A. Leahy, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Longfellow District—(Unitarian Church Kindergarten), Mabel Reinhard, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lowell District—(Lucretia Crocker Kindergarten), Louisa Janssen; (Wyman Kindergarten), Wilhelmina E. Kohler, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Lyman District—(Cudworth Kindergarten No. 1), Katherine H. Lane; (Cudworth Kindergarten No. 2), Mary L. Moran; (James Otis Kindergarten), Dora Standel; (Old East Boston High Kindergarten), Mary B. Lane, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Mary Hemenway District—(Dorchester-avenue Kindergarten), Ethel A. Chafee; (Harris Kindergarten), Grace Stratton, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Mather District—(Benjamin Cushing Kindergarten), Ellen G. Leighton; (Old Mather Kindergarten), Emma Schulz, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Norcross District—(Cyrus Alger Kindergarten), Margaret Delay, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—(Benjamin Pope Kindergarten), Jennie E. Wesson, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—(Marshall Kindergarten), Katherine Wilkinson, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Phillips Brooks District—(Howard-avenue Kindergarten), Corinne Allard; (Hull Kindergarten), Goldie Kraby, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Prescott District—(Polk-street Kindergarten), Mary Meeney, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Prince District—(Charles C. Perkins Kindergarten), Hope Davison, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Quincy District—(Andrews Kindergarten), Margaret A. Cronin; (Quincy Kindergarten), Grace E. Smith, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Rice District—(Appleton-street Kindergarten), Anna G. Finn, Sept. 12 and 13, 1906 (two days).

Robert G. Shaw District—(Old Baker-street Kindergarten), Elizabeth G. Kane, from Sept. 12 to 19, 1906, inclusive.

Roger Wolcott District—(Lauriat-avenue Kindergarten), Vera G. Briggs; (Thetford-street Kindergarten), Ethel C. Corrigan; (Tileston Kindergarten), Katherine S. Ellis, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Sherwin District—(Ira Allen Kindergarten), Mary Sullivan, from Sept. 12, 1906; (Rugg'es-street Kindergarten), Mary Reed, from Sept. 17, 1906.

Shurtleff District—(Clinch Kindergarten), Bessie M. Lowry, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—(Everett Kindergarten), Anna E. Miln, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Thomas N. Hart District—(Benjamin Dean Kindergarten No. 1), Margaret O'Mara; (Benjamin Dean Kindergarten No. 2), Mary McGuire, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Warren District—(Doane Building Kindergarten), Martha Aaron; (Mead-street Kindergarten), Louise Bertram, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Washington District—(Baldwin Kindergarten), Josephine Di Mare, from Oct. 1, 1906; (Washington Kindergarten), Julia Cody, from Oct. 15, 1906.

Washington Allston District—(Frederic A. Whitney Kindergarten), Rosa A. Hanratty, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Wells District—(Mayhew Kindergarten), Margaret McCoy; (St. Andrew's Kindergarten), Minnie Herrick; ((Winchell Kindergarten), Ada Ginsberg, from Sept. 12, 1906.

William E. Russell District—(Roger Clap Kindergarten), Mary E. O'Connor, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Winthrop District—(Carver-street Kindergarten), Frances A. Orpen, from Oct. 1, 1906.

The reading of the foregoing appointments was omitted, and they were approved.

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DIRECTOR OF EVENING AND VACATION SCHOOLS.

Subsequently, the Board took up the following appointment reported by the Superintendent at the previous meeting:—

Director of Evening and Vacation Schools—Charles M. Lamprey, on probation, from Oct. 15, 1906.

The Chairman, on the request of Mr. T. J. Kenny, directed the Secretary to call the roll, and the aforesaid appointment was approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis and Storrow—3.

Not voting—Messrs. Thomas J. Kenny and William S. Kenny—2.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of sixteen minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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ACTING DIRECTOR OF DRAWING AND MANUAL TRAINING.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Frank M. Leavitt, Assistant Director of Drawing and Manual Training, to take charge of the department of drawing and manual training until such time as the position of director of that department may be otherwise filled in accordance with the rules and regulations, to date from Sept. 15, 1906.

Placed on file.

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TEMPORARY STENOGRAPHER AND TYPEWRITER, SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, submitting for approval the appointment of Elizabeth A. Clayton as a temporary stenographer and typewriter in his office, to date from Oct. 8, 1906, in accordance with the terms of an order passed Sept. 17, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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CERTIFICATES TO COLLEGE GRADUATES, NORMAL SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, relative to college graduates who complete a course in the Boston Normal School obtaining a grammar school certificate, class A, after two years' service, recommending the passage of the following order.

ORDERED, That Section 349 of the Regulations be amended as follows:—

Strike out the section and substitute therefor the following:—

Section 349. A diploma of graduation from the Normal School issued after the year 1872 shall entitle the holder to receive a certificate of qualification, elementary school, class B. Those who complete the kindergarten course shall also receive a kindergarten certificate. Graduates of the Normal School who at the time of admission were graduates of universities or colleges approved by the board of superintendents shall be granted elementary school certificates, special, and after two years of service as permanent teachers in the public day schools of Boston, the holders of these elementary school certificates, special, may be granted certificates of qualification, elementary school, class A; provided, that they have shown in a way satisfactory to the board of superintendents that they possess such knowledge of the principles and practice of education and such superior ability in teaching and governing schools as would warrant their appointment as sub-masters and first assistants. Those who complete the special courses shall receive corresponding special certificates.

The communication was placed on file, and the order laid on the table.

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ADDITIONAL TEACHER, ROBERT G. SHAW DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, recommending that the order passed on June 19, 1906, that unless the number of pupils in the primary school of the Robert G. Shaw District shall have increased sufficiently in September to warrant the retention of its present number of teachers, one of these teachers shall be transferred by the Superintendent to a school in some other district, be rescinded; also recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That because of the distance of the Germantown School from the main school building in the Robert G. Shaw District, and the varying grades of pupils in the Germantown School, a teacher in excess of the number authorized by the regulations be allowed in the Robert G. Shaw District for the school year 1906-07.

Placed on file; the order passed at the meeting of June 19, 1906, referred to in the foregoing communication rescinded, and the order accompanying said communication was passed.

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NEWSPAPER OR MAGAZINE VOTING CONTESTS.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That no teacher employed in the service of the city of Boston shall participate in any newspaper or magazine contest, the prizes in which are to be awarded on the basis of the number of votes cast by coupons or slips from such newspapers or magazines.

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ADDITIONAL ASSISTANCE, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to appoint the following for the term 1906-07:—

1. One pianist for each evening high school maintaining a class in physical training.
2. Two laboratory assistants in the Central Evening High School.
3. One laboratory assistant in the Roxbury Evening High School.
4. One special assistant, typewriting department, in each evening high school.

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TEXT-BOOKS, EVENING ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, recommending that the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the evening elementary schools:—

A First Book in English, by Isabel R. Wallach, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

Reading and Language Lessons for Evening Schools, by William E. Chancellor, published by the American Book Company.

Studies in English, by William E. Chancellor, published by the American Book Company.

A First Book for Non-English-Speaking People, by Catharine J. Cunningham, published by D. C. Heath & Company.

A Second Book for Non-English-Speaking People, by Agnes C. Moore, published by D. C. Heath & Company.

Laid over.

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TEMPORARY ASSISTANT, OFFICE OF SECRETARY.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, submitting for approval the appointment of Mabel V. Brooks as temporary assistant in his office from Sept. 21 to Oct. 6, 1906, inclusive, in place of another assistant now on leave of absence without pay.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Mabel V. Brooks the sum of twenty-five dollars ($25) for services rendered as temporary assistant in the office of the Secretary from Sept. 21 to Oct. 6, 1906, inclusive.

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A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, submitting for approval the appointment of Hortense De Coen as temporary assistant in his office, to date from Oct. 8, 1906, in place of another assistant now on leave of absence without pay.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of Hortense De Coen, temporary assistant in the office of the Secretary, be fixed at the rate of fifty dollars ($50) per month, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

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PAYMENT TO THOMAS BUCKNER.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Thomas Buckner, the sum of $13.76 for services rendered as acting janitor of the John Boyle O'Reilly School-house, from Oct. 1 to 6, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Thomas Buckner, the sum of thirteen and 76-100 dollars ($13.76) for services rendered as acting janitor of the John Boyle O'Reilly School-house, from Oct. 1 to 6, 1906, inclusive.

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JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, recommending that the Civil Service Commission be requested to certify the names of eligible candidates to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, there being no janitors already in the service desirous of transfer to said position.

Placed on file, and the Secretary was directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

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JANITORSHIP, BIRD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, recommending that the Civil Service Commission be requested to cancel the certification made by them of candidates to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Bird School-house, and to certify the names of women eligible for appointment to said position; also that the Commission be informed that the appointment is only a temporary one, as the use of the building may be discontinued at any time.

Placed on file, the recommendation of the Schoolhouse Custodian adopted, and the Secretary directed to make application to the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

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SALARY OF JANITOR, 33 CHAMBERS-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, recommending that the salary of the janitor of 33 Chambers-street School-house, be fixed at the rate of $15 per month.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of the janitor of No. 33 Chambers-street School-house be fixed at the rate of one hundred eighty dollars ($180) per annum, to date from Sept. 27, 1906, and until otherwise ordered.

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JANITORSHIP, ABBY W. MAY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 8, 1906, transmitting a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Abby W. May School-house.

Placed on file, and the transfer or the applicant standing at the head of the list, viz., John J. Kearns, janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, was approved, to date from Oct. 15, 1906.

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APPROPRIATION, ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL.

Communications were received from Charles M. Clay, head-master of the Roxbury High School, under date of Oct. 5, 1906, requesting that his school be allowed the sum of $100 for furnishing materials for classes in zoology, physiology, hygiene, household arts and botany, during the current school year.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report at the next meeting of the Board, with the request that he present a recommendation relating to this subject with respect to high schools generally.

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EVENING CLASSES, JAMES OTIS SCHOOL.

The following petition was presented:—

We, the undersigned, residents of East Boston hereby petition to have evening classes in the James Otis School which is the nearest and most favorable school for the Hebrew masses of East Boston to attend.

Abraham C. Berman,
and one hundred seventy-four others.

Referred to the Superintendent for consideration and report at the next meeting.

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NAMING OF OLD DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

The following petition was presented:—

To the Boston School Committee:—

The undersigned, principally residents of Dorchester, respectfully petition that the name of the school building, known as the Old Dorchester High, be changed, as it is a misnomer; for the building, as now used, belongs to the elementary system of schools.

The late Doctor Elbridge Smith was the first principal over this building and continued for many years to be its distinguished head-master.

We believe that, were this building to be named after him, it would be regarded by all who knew him well, as a most appropriate and just recognition of his services.

To those who were fortunate in being pupils of Elbridge Smith we believe it will be particularly gratifying, should you see fit to grant this request.

N. H. Whittemore,
and three hundred twenty-one others.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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USE OF ROOM, ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Hon. John A. Sullivan, under date of Oct. 3, 1906, requesting permission to occupy a room in the English High School-house on Saturday, Oct. 20 or 27, 1906, for the purpose of holding a public competitive examination of candidates for admission to West Point.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the application was approved, without charge on the part of the city.

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COMPENSATION OF JANITORS OF VACATION SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the order introduced by him at the meeting of Sept. 28, 1906, relating to the compensation of janitors of vacation schools was taken from the table.

With the unanimous consent of the Board the same member withdrew the order.

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ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS, WELLS EVENING SCHOOL.

Mr. Ellis presented a communication from Charles E. Harris, principal of the Wells Evening School, under date of Oct. 6, 1906, requesting the use of the Mayhew School-house for the overflow from his school.

Placed on file, and on motion of the same member, the Superintendent was authorized to allow the use of such rooms in the Mayhew School building as may be necessary for the accommodation of the Wells Evening School during the term 1906-07.

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APPOINTMENT OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

A communication was received from the Civil Service Commission, under date of Oct. 1, 1906, with respect to the action of the Board at its meeting of Sept. 24, 1906, in connection with the appointment of four additional truant officers.

Placed on file.

A draft of a reply to said communication was submitted, which the Secretary was authorized to transmit to the Civil Service Commission.

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COMPENSATION OF STENOGRAPHER AND TYPEWRITER, OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the question of continuing the compensation of a stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent, absent from duty because of illness, was referred to the Chairman with full powers.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:32 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,
Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

October 15, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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TEXT-BOOKS, EVENING ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

The communication from the Board of Superintendents laid over at the previous meeting recommending that the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the evening elementary schools was read:

A First Book in English, by Isabel R. Wallach, published by Silver, Burdett & Company.

Reading and Language Lessons for Evening Schools, by William E. Chancellor, published by the American Book Company.

Studies in English, by William E. Chancellor, published by the American Book Company.

A First Book for Non-English-Speaking People, by Catharine J. Cunningham, published by D. C. Heath & Company.

A Second Book for Non-English-Speaking People, by Agnes C. Moore, published by D. C. Heath & Company.

The aforesaid recommendation was unanimously adopted.

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ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Oct. 12, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Sept. 17, stating that the rooms on the second floor of the old Dearborn School-house have been fitted up for the accommodation of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, and that said rooms were occupied by the school on Oct. 8, 1906.

Placed on file.

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COLUMBUS-AVENUE EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Oct. 11, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Sept. 10, stating that the premises heretofore occupied by the Columbus-avenue Evening Drawing School have been given up, and the equipment therein moved to the Mechanic Arts High School-house.

Placed on file.

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SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, WARD 25.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Oct. 9, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Sept. 24, stating that owing to present financial conditions it is unable to provide a portable building in Ward 25 within the district described in the order referred to, for the accommodation of some thirty pupils belonging to the first three grades of the elementary school; and that up to the present time it has not been able to find a suitable building to rent for school purposes.

On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

Mechanic Arts High School—Charles M. Lamprey, junior-master, Oct. 15, 1906.

Lewis District—Alice O'Neil, first assistant, Grammar School, Oct. 1, 1906.

Wells District—Mary P. Corrigan, assistant, Kindergarten, Oct. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bunker Hill District—Jaqueline Carroll, Kindergarten, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Eliot District—Frances A. McMahan, from Oct. 17, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Florence M. Fogarty, from Sept. 19 to 26, 1906, inclusive. M. Cecilia Power, Sept. 25 and 26, 1906, two days.

Lincoln District—Mary E. Flynn, Kindergarten, from Sept. 18, 1906.

Phillips Brooks District—Jessie M. G. Wilkinson, Kindergarten, from Sept. 19, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—Dorothy Hill, Kindergarten, from Oct. 8, 1906.

Washington District—Mabel A. Harris, Minnie D. Penzanski, from Oct. 15, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Mechanic Arts High School—Louis R. Wells, instructor, from Oct. 15, 1906.

Lincoln District—Josephine Marston, assistant, from Sept. 12, to Oct. 5, 1906, inclusive. Alice F. Moore, assistant, from Sept. 12, 1906.

Placed on file.

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ON PROBATION.

Dorchester High School—Elizabeth M. Wood, assistant instructor, from Oct. 22, 1906.

Agassiz District—Elizabeth V. Mahoney, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Christopher Gibson District—Agnes G. Strong, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Comins District—Grace M. Goodrich, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Hancock District—Ethel S. Murkland, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Henry L. Pierce District—Alice L. Brummett, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Phillips Brooks District—Jessie M. G. Wilkinson, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Prescott District—Annie C. Forbes, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Winthrop District—Mabel A. Grogan, assistant, from Oct. 11, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Agassiz District—Sara D. Davidson, assistant.

Longfellow District—Jennie N. Haxton first assistant, Kindergarten; Laura L. Stewart, assistant, Kindergarten.

Special Class—Clara M. French, assistant.
Manual Training Schools—Charlotte M. Maloney, assistant instructor.
Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Central High School—Assistant, William F. Boos, from Oct. 8, 1906.
East Boston High School—Special assistant, Horatio W. Nelson, from Oct. 8, 1906. Pianist, Margaret M. Cummings, from Oct. 8, 1906.
Roxbury High School—Assistant in Typewriting Department, Mary L. Morris, from Oct. 8, 1906.
South Boston High School—Assistants, Boyd Bartlett, Laura A. C. Hughes, from Oct. 8, 1906. Lucy F. Hunter, Cyril N. King, Frank W. White, from Oct. 11, 1906; S. Gertrude Tighe, from Oct. 15, 1906. Assistant in Typewriting Department, Frank M. Doyle, from Oct. 8, 1906.
Bigelow School—Assistants, William T. Miller, Mary T. Sherry, from Oct. 8, 1906. Interpreter, Julian K. Sliwkoski, from Oct. 8, 1906.
Lyman School—Assistants, Elizabeth L. Prendergast, from Oct. 10, 1906; Ethel A. Owen, from Oct. 11, 1906; Mary A. Ford, from Oct. 12, 1906.
Mather School—Assistant, Mary F. Dutton, from Oct. 8, 1906.
Quincy School—First assistant, Howard G. Kingman, from Oct. 15, 1906. Assistants, John J. Cummings, from Oct. 8, 1906; M. Cecilia Power, from Oct. 12, 1906.
Warren School—Assistants, Marguerite V. Brickley, Frank Carter, from Oct. 15, 1906.
Washington Allston School—Assistant, Mary A. Ward, from Oct. 11, 1906.
Approved.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Helen E. Chandler.
Jessie C. Davidson.
Susan S. Faden.
Katharine E. Flanagan.
Emma Foster.
Ivory F. Frisbee.
Ida M. Gilcrease.
Clara A. Hawthorne.
Martha L. Ireland.
M. Cecilia Power.
Mildred H. Tavender.
Kate V. Tiernay.
Annie E. McWilliams.
Edwin C. Howard.
Approved.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Bowditch District—(Hillside Kindergarten) Elizabeth Kane, from Oct. 16, 1906.
Bowdoin District—(Sharp Kindergarten No. 1) Minnie L. Weiner, from Oct. 8, 1906.
Dwight District—(Joshua Bates Kindergarten) Helen Selig, from Sept. 12, 1906. (Rutland-street Kindergarten) Victoria Saunders, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Lewis District—(W. L. P. Boardman Kindergarten) Gertrude Cobbett, from Oct. 15, 1906.
Prescott District—(Polk-street Kindergarten) Grace T. Garrity, from Oct. 9, 1906.
Shurtleff District—(Bird Kindergarten) Lucy F. Thurston, from Sept 12, 1906.
Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—
Adams District—Mabel J. Houlahan, first assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 1, 1906, until Feb. 1, 1907.
Lawrence District—George S. Houghton, sub-master, from Oct. 3, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

MASTERS' ASSISTANTS.

The Superintendent recommended the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That from and after Nov. 1, 1906, the rank of the following-named teachers, now First Assistants, Grammar School, shall be that of Masters' Assistants in their respective districts:—

Districts.

Adams—Charlotte L. Voigt.
Bennett—Melissa Abbott.
Bigelow—Amelia B. Coe.
Blackinton—Catherine E. McCarthy.
Bowditch—Amy Hutchins.
Bowdoin—Sarah R. Smith.
Brimmer—Nellie A. Manning.
Bunker Hill—Harriet H. Norcross.
Chapman—Lucy W. Eaton.
Charles Sumner—Charlotte B. Hall.
Christopher Gibson—Catherine F. Byrne.
Comins—Margaret T. Dooley.
Dearborn—Lily B. Atherton.
Dillaway—Elizabeth M. Blackburn.
Dwight—Ruth G. Rich.
Edward Everett—Mary F. Thompson.
Eliot—Mary E. Hanney.
Emerson—Frances H. Turner.
Everett—Eliza M. Evert.
Franklin—Jennie S. Tower.
Frothingham—Charlotte E. Camp.
Gaston—Juliette R. Hayward.
George Putnam—Katharine W. Huston.
Gilbert Stuart—Caroline F. Melville.
Hancock—Honora T. O'Dowd.
Harvard—Sarah E. Leonard.
Henry L. Pierce—Mary E. Mann.
Hugh O'Brien—Margaret Holmes.
Hyde—Emma S. Gulliver.
Jefferson—Elinor W. Leavitt.
John A. Andrew—Emma M. Cleary.
Lawrence—Clara G. Hinds.
Lincoln—Martha F. Wright.
Longfellow—Elizabeth M. Mann.
Lowell—Eliza C. Fisher.
Lyman—Emma M. Harvey.
Martin—Emma E. Lawrence.
Mary Hemenway—L. Gertrude Howes.
Mather—J. Annie Bense.
Minot—Mary E. Palmer.
Norcross—Mary R. Roberts.
Oliver Hazard Perry—Louise A. Pieper.
Oliver Wendell Holmes—E. Gertrude Dudley.
Phillips—Nellie M. Whitney.
Phillips Brooks—Alice G. Maguire.
Prescott—Mary E. Keyes.
Prince—Lillian F. Sheldon.
Quincy—Angie C. Damon.
Rice—Mary E. Mailman.
Robert G. Shaw—Alice E. Farrington.
Roger Wolcott—Ida T. Weeks.
Sherwin—Elizabeth B. Walton.
Shurtleff—Mary M. Clapp.
Thomas Gardner—Marion Keith.
Thomas N. Hart—Margaret J. Stewart.
Warren—Anna D. Dalton.
Washington—Theresa E. Fraser.
Washington Allston—Alice A. Swett.
Wells—Priscilla Whiton.
William E. Russell—Nellie J. Breed.
Winthrop—Helen L. Hilton.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid over to the next meeting.

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FIRST ASSISTANTS IN CHARGE.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That from and after November 1, 1906, the rank of the following-named teachers, now First Assistants, Primary School, shall be that of First Assistants in Charge; those of them who are on the maximum salary of their present rank on November 1, 1906, shall be advanced on that date to the maximum salary of their new rank; those of them who are not on the maximum salary of their present rank on November 1, 1906, shall be advanced in accordance with the salary schedule from the anniversary of their respective ap-

pointments until the maximum salary of their new rank is reached.

Districts:—

Adams—Fannie M. Morris.
Agassiz—Caroline D. Putnam.
Bennett—Margaret I. Scollans.
Bigelow—Annie S. McKissick.
Bowditch—Mary E. Whitney.
" Margaret E. Winton.
Bowdoin—Elizabeth R. Preston.
Brimmer—Edith L. Stratton.
Bunker Hill—Elizabeth B. Norton.
Chapman—Marietta Duncan.
Charles Sumner—Katharine M. Coulahan.
" Anna M. Leach.
Comins—Anna R. McDonald.
Dearborn—Mary A. P. Cross.
" Katharine O'Brien.
Dillaway—Anna M. Balch.
" Mary L. Shepard.
Dudley—Helen P. Hall.
" Alice L. Williams.
Dwight—Emma F. Gallagher.
" Miriam Sterne.
Edward Everett—Florence N. Sloane.
Eliot—Rosa M. E. Reggio.
" Carrie A. Waugh.
Emerson—Mary E. Plummer.
Everett—Louise Robinson.
Franklin—Elizabeth F. Dorn.
" Etta M. Smith.
Frothingham—Fannie M. Lamson.
Gaston—Ellen V. Courtney.
George Putnam—Julia H. Cram.
Gilbert Stuart—Carrie M. Weis.
Hancock—Teresa M. Gargan.
" Margaret D. Mitchell.
Harvard—Marcella C. Coyle.
" Agnes A. Herlihy.
Henry L. Pierce—Anna B. Badlam.
Hugh O'Brien—Emily M. Pevear.
Hyde—Delia E. Cunningham.
John A. Andrew—Mary A. Jenkins.
Lawrence—Maud F. Crosby.
" Martha S. Damon.
Lewis—Anna A. von Groll.
Lincoln—Laura L. Newhall.
Lowell—Caroline F. Cutler.
" Flora J. Perry.
Lyman—Lucy M. Goodwin.
" Mary E. Williams.
Martin—Alicia F. McDonald.
Mary Hemenway—Ida K. McGiffert.
Mather—Elizabeth Donaldson.
" Clara A. Jordan.
Minot—Celia A. Scribner.
Norcross—Ann E. Newell.
" Eleanor J. Cashman.
Oliver Hazard Perry—Ella R. Johnson.
Oliver Wendell Holmes—Nellie G. Kelley.
Phillips—Katharine A. Burns.
Phillips Brooks—Matilda Mitchell.
" Elizabeth R. Wallis.
Prescott—Mary E. Franklin.
Prince—Laura K. Hayward.
Quincy—Annie F. Merriam.
Rice—Mabel I. Emerson.
Roger Wolcott—Louisa W. Burgess.
" Mary E. Nichols.
Sherwin—Nellie H. Crowell.
Shurtleff—Alice G. Dolbeare.
Thomas N. Hart—Mary E. Perkins.
" S. Louella Sweeney.
Washington—Josephine F. Joyce.
Washington Allston—Emma F. Martin.
Wells—Georgia D. Barstow.
" Sarah G. Fogarty.
" Mary F. Gargan.
William E. Russell—Minnie E. G. Price.
Winthrop—Mary E. Noonan.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of twenty-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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ADDITIONAL CLERK, OFFICE OF SUPERINTENDENT.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the employment of a clerk in the office of the Superintendent to assist in issuing age and schooling certificates and minors' licenses be authorized, the compensation of said clerk to be at the rate of fifty dollars ($50) per month, until otherwise ordered.

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EVENING CLASSES, JAMES OTIS SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 15, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Oct. 8, recommending that the petition of Abraham C. Berman and others, that an evening elementary school be established in the James Otis School building in East Boston, be not granted.

Laid on the table.

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ABSENCE OF PUPILS, HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 10, 1906, stating that the high school masters desire to have ten thousand postal cards printed to be used for ascertaining the reasons for absences of pupils, and asking that the request be approved.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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TEXT-BOOKS, COMMERCIAL HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 11, 1906, recommending the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That A First Course in Physics, by Robert A. Millikan and Henry G. Gale, published by Ginn & Company, and A Laboratory Course in Physics for Secondary Schools, by Robert A. Millikan and Henry G. Gale, published by Ginn & Company, be authorized for use as textbooks in the Commercial High School.

Laid over.

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MEDALS FOR PROFICIENCY IN AMERICAN HISTORY.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 11, 1906, with respect to the application from Mrs. Helen F. Yeaton, received at the meeting of June 23, requesting that the Col. Thomas Gardner Chapter, D. A. R. be allowed to present to the high and grammar schools of Ward 25 medals for proficiency in American history, substantially as follows:

For many years past, the School Committee has deemed it unwise to allow medals, prizes or rewards of any kind to be given in the schools of Boston. Those who have been connected with the schools for many years are of the opinion that the schools have been benefited by such restriction. The objections to such rewards being given in the schools have been so fully discussed in the newspapers and educational journals that it seems unnecessary to repeat them.

The Board of Superintendents appreciates the value of the interest in the schools on the part of parents and friends, and especially of organizations like the Daughters of the American Revolution and sincerely regrets that it is not able to encourage any and all efforts on their part in the interest of the schools. It feels, however, that there are other ways in which that interest can be shown which would be of value to the schools. Efforts which culminate in the school as a whole rather than in individuals are beneficial.

The Board of Superintendents is very strongly of the opinion that it would be unwise to make any exceptions in this direction, and that the only safe way is to ex-

clude all individual prizes from the public schools; and therefore expresses the hope that this organization may find ways of expressing their interests which would be of advantage to the schools without violating any principle of school administration.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Oct. 15, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Oct. 8, reporting that the following-named persons had been certified by the Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house: Carl I. Priest, John D. Devine and George P. Young.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, BIRD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Oct. 15, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Oct. 8, reporting that the following-named person had been certified by the Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Bird School-house: Mary E. Baldwin; and as the Board is entitled to the certification of three persons to fill the vacancy the provisional appointment of any person at the discretion of the Board has been authorized, the employment of such person to continue until a suitable eligible list shall be established.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 11, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Bird School-house, he had reappointed Georgiana Griffin for a period of ten days or less, to date from Oct. 11, 1906.

Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO GEORGIANA GRIFFIN.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 11, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Georgiana Griffin the sum of $8.33 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Bird School-house from Oct. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Georgiana Griffin the sum of eight and 33-100 dollars ($8.33) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Bird School-house, from Oct. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

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JANITORSHIP, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 15, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Old Horace Mann School-house, caused by the transfer of the regular janitor, he had appointed James J. Walsh, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Oct. 16, 1906.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 15, 1906, reporting the name of Thomas Buckley, now substitute janitor, as the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Old Horace Mann School-house.

Placed on file, and the transfer of Thomas Buckley approved, to date from Oct. 22, 1906.

SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 12, 1906, of the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors, during the period from Oct. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, ABBY W. MAY SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 9, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Abby W. May School-house, caused by the transfer of the regular janitor, he had appointed James J. Walsh, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO JAMES J. WALSH.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 15, 1906, recommending that there be paid to James J. Walsh, the sum of $14.66, for services rendered as acting janitor of the Abby W. May School-house, from Oct. 8 to 15, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to James J. Walsh the sum of fourteen and 66-100 dollars ($14.66) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Abby W. May School-house, from Oct. 8 to 15, 1906, inclusive.

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SEATING CAPACITY OF SCHOOL HALLS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 15, 1906, relative to the seating capacity of school halls, stating that he is of the opinion that the Schoolhouse Commission did not include the platform area nor consider children in making their estimates, but based its figures wholly upon an adult seating capacity basis, and suggesting that the masters be so notified.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to communicate with the Schoolhouse Commission, and ascertain if the statement furnished by it with respect to the seating capacity of school halls should not be modified.

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BOUNDARY LINES OF COMINS, DILLAWAY AND DUDLEY DISTRICTS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the boundary lines of the Comins Dillaway and Dudley Districts shall hereafter be as follows:—

Comins District, for Boys and Girls.

Beginning at the junction of Ruggles and Halleck streets; thence by the centre of Halleck to Prentiss street; thence by the centre of Prentiss to Parker street; thence by the centre of Parker to Smith street; thence by the centre of Smith to Phillips street; thence by the centre of Phillips to Tremont street; thence by the rear of the southerly side of Tremont to Parker street; thence by the rear of the westerly side of Parker to Old Heath street; thence by the rear of the south-westerly side of Old Heath street to Centre street; thence by the centre of Centre street to Gardner street; thence by the centre of Gardner street to Roxbury street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Elmwood street to Linden Park street; thence by the centre of Linden Park street to Hampshire street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Hampshire street to Ruggles street; thence by the centre of Ruggles street to the point of beginning.

Dillaway District, for Girls.

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the centre of Ruggles to Hampshire street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Hampshire street to Linden Park street; thence by the centre of Linden Park street to Elmwood street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Elmwood street to Roxbury street; thence by the centre of Gardner street to Centre street; thence by the centre of Centre street to Marcella street; thence by both sides of Marcella, Washington, Elmore and Kensington streets to Bainbridge street; thence by the centre of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by both sides of Dale street to Regent street; thence by the centres of Regent and Circuit streets and Walnut avenue to Warren street; thence by the centre of Warren street to Harrison avenue; thence by the centre of Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centres of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

Dudley District, for Boys.

Beginning at the junction of Washington and Ruggles streets; thence by the centre of Ruggles to Hampshire street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Hampshire street to Linden Park street; thence by the centre of Linden Park street to Elmwood street; thence by the rear of the easterly side of Elmwood street to Roxbury street; thence by the centre of Gardner street to Centre street; thence by the centre of Centre street to Marcella street; thence by both sides of Marcella, Washington, Elmore and Kensington streets to Bainbridge street; thence by the centre of Bainbridge street to Dale street; thence by both sides of Dale street to Regent street; thence by the centre of Regent street to Warren street; thence by the centres of Warren street and Harrison avenue to Eustis street; thence by the centres of Eustis and Washington streets to the point of beginning.

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SALARY OF SPECIAL ASSISTANT, HORACE MANN SCHOOL.

On the recommendation of the superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of the special assistant employed in the Horace Mann School be established at the rate of one and 50-100 dollars ($1.50) for each day of actual service for the current school year, dating from Sept. 12, 1906.

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PUPILS, ABERDEEN DISTRICT TO ATTEND BROOKLINE SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from W. G. Lovelock, a resident of Aberdeen, under date of Oct. 10, 1906, requesting that his son, a pupil of the second grade, be permitted to attend the John Runkle School, in Brookline, at the expense of the city.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the application was approved, and the Superintendent was authorized, in his discretion, to approve the attendance of pupils residing in the Aberdeen District in the Brookline schools at the expense of the city.

NAMING OF OLD DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from N. Hosea Whittemore, under date of Oct. 11, 1906, in support of the petition received at the previous meeting that the Old Dorchester High School be named in honor of Dr. Elbridge Smith.

Laid on the table.

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COMPENSATION OF JANITORS OF EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That, beginning with the evening school term of 1906-07, and until otherwise ordered, the compensation for janitor service of buildings occupied by evening high schools, except the English Hich School-house, shall be at the same rate as for buildings occupied by evening elementary schools, except that the areas of such class or lecture rooms as exceed one thousand square feet each shall be added together, the result divided by one thousand, and the nearest integer resulting as a quotient shall be considered as representing the number of rooms occupied in ascertaining the amount to be paid for cleaning at the rate of one dollar fifty cents ($1.50) per month per room.

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COMMERCIAL SUBJECTS, WASHINGTON ALLSTON EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That a class in commercial subjects be established and maintained in the Washington Allston Evening Elementary School for the term 1906-07.

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TUBERCULOSIS EXHIBITIONS.

A communication was received from Alexander M. Wilson, Secretary of the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis, under date of Oct. 13, 1906, stating that said association will give a series of tuberculosis exhibitions in various Ward Rooms throughout the city during the coming winter, and requesting that the teachers of grammar and high schools be authorized to conduct their classes to such exhibitions. The material exhibited will contain no pathological specimens nor anything whatever of a disagreeable nature, and competent persons will be in attendance to give suitable explanations.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, referred to the Superintendent with authority to take such action as he may deem expedient.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 9:47 o'clock P.M.

Attest:

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

October 22, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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APPOINTMENTS ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

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MASTERS' ASSISTANTS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of an order as recommended by the Superintendent, laid over at the last meeting, that the rank of certain teachers now first assistants, grammar school, shall be that of masters' assistants. (See page 204.)

In this connection a communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, withdrawing the appointment of Margaret Holmes as master's assistant in the Hugh O'Brien District, and substituting therefor that of Myra E. Wilson, Miss Holmes having declined to serve in the position named.

The communication was placed on file, the substitution was approved, and the order thus amended passed.

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TEXT-BOOKS, COMMERCIAL HIGH SCHOOL.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order recommended by the Board of Superintendents and laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That A First Course in Physics, by Robert A. Millikan and Henry G. Gale, published by Ginn & Company, and A Laboratory Course in Physics for Secondary Schools, by Robert A. Millikan and Henry G. Gale, published by Ginn & Company, be authorized for use as textbooks in the Commercial High School.

Passed unanimously.

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CURATORS' EVENING DRAWING SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, stating that he has had a careful investigation made of the work of the curators in the evening drawing schools, and recommending that the positions be continued for the remainder of the term 1906-07.

Placed on file.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

East Boston High School—Sarah H. Jacobus, special instructor of physical training, Oct. 16, 1906.

Wells District—Mary F. Magrath, assistant, Oct. 15, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments, confirmations and transfers, by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Adams District—Frances A. Neilson, from Oct. 22, 1906.

Bowditch District—Helena McGinnis, from Oct. 17 to 19, 1906, inclusive, three days.

Harvard District—Mary A. Mullin, from Oct. 15 to 18, 1906, inclusive, four days.

Prescott District—Annie C. Forbes, from Oct. 15 to 31, 1906, inclusive, thirteen days.

Washington Allston District—Amy V. Kingston, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Blackinton District—Hazel E. Poole, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Bowditch District—Gertrude A. Poor, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Bowdoin District—Susan S. Faden, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Dillaway District—Annie E. Mahan, first assistant in charge, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Emerson District—Lena A. Sherwood, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Gaston District—Mary A. Dorgan, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Henry L. Pierce District—Keziah J. Anslow, first assistant in charge, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Anna L. Smith, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Jefferson District—Helen K. Somers, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Martin District—Helen G. Gormley, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Mather District—Mary E. Vogel, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906; Mary I. F. Montgomery, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Grace Hall, first assistant in charge, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Phillips District—William T. Miller, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Washington District—Mary E. Harvell, Charlotte R. Weild, assistants, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Wells District—Emma C. McNamara, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906; Fannie M. Gueth, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906.

William E. Russell District—Mary K. Corbett, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Director of Kindergartens—Caroline D Aborn, from Dec. 1, 1906.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Public Latin School—Louis W. Arnold, James E. Downey, junior-masters.

Roxbury High School—Daniel Foley, special instructor, commercial branches.

South Boston High School—Mary T. O'Donnell, assistant.

Christopher Gibson District—Mabel B. Fuller, assistant.

Dudley District—Charles E. Harris, first assistant, Grammar School; Helena M. Follen, assistant.

Franklin District—Elizabeth F. Dorn, first assistant, Primary School.

Frothingham District—Mabel A. Collins, assistant.

Gaston District—Elizabeth M. P. Bartlett, assistant; Maud L. Richardson, assistant, Kindergarten.

Lawrence District—Catherine E. Halligan, assistant.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Bertha E. Richardson, first assistant, Kindergarten.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Katharine G. Sheehan, assistant.
Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Central High School—Laboratory assistant, Albert L. Smith, from Oct. 8, 1906.
Roxbury High School—Assistants, Joel Hatheway, Henry L. Withee, from Oct. 16, 1906; George F. Fiske, from Oct. 17, 1906.
South Boston High School—Assistants, John J. Cummings, from Oct. 11, 1906; Edwin F. A. Benson, from Oct. 16, 1906; Thomas H. H. Knight, from Oct. 22, 1906; Pianists, Leonard S. Whelan, from Oct. 15, 1906; Lucile M. Pelletier, from Oct. 16, 1906.
Bigelow School—Assistant, M. Louise Murphy, from Oct. 19, 1906.
Bowdoin School—Assistants, Esther M. Buchan, from Oct. 9, 1906; Irene A. Dooley, Mary A. Fouhy, Josephine M. Haney, from Oct. 16, 1906; Bertha M. Pitts, from Oct. 17, 1906; Margaret M. Downing, Grace B. McCormick, from Oct. 22, 1906.
Eliot School—Assistants, Margaret A. F. Cotter, from Oct. 11, 1906; Sarah G. Stowers, from Oct. 12, 1906; Alice M. Deehan, from Oct. 17, 1906.
Lincoln School—Assistants, Mary R. Stapleton, from Oct. 8 to 12, 1906, inclusive, five nights; Margaret A. F. Cotter, Oct. 15, and 16, 1906, two nights.
Sherwin School—Assistants, Francis J. Emery, Anna M. Magrath, from Oct. 8, 1906; Mary Crampton, from Oct. 9, 1906; Emma A. Brust, from Oct. 10, 1906.
Warren School—Assistant, Anna M. Magrath, from Oct. 22, 1906.
Wells School—Assistants, Helen S. Chapman, from Oct. 16, 1906; Sara G. Fay, from Oct. 17, 1906; Sarah E. McMahan, from Oct. 22, 1906; Interpreters, Henry H. Damon, from Oct. 15, 1906; Allie A. Silverstein, from Oct. 17, 1906.
Drawing Schools—Assistant, Arthur L. Goodrich, from Oct. 17, 1906.
Curators—East Boston School, Chester W. Allen; Charlestown School, Claude H. Bates; Warren-avenue School, Winthrop S. Davis; Mechanic Arts High School, J. Fred Sayer, Jr.; Roxbury School, Fred L. Wetherbee; School of Design, Charles J. Brady, from Oct. 22, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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TRANSFERS.

Frothingham District—Emma F. West, assistant, to the same position in the Agassiz District, from Oct. 22, 1906.
Washington District.—Madeline A. Foppiano, assistant, to the same position in the Frothingham District, from Oct. 22, 1906.
Placed on file.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Maria F. Bray, Maude E. Coates, Mary E. Coveney, M. Grace Pinkham, Susan True.
Approved.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Charles Sumner District—(Stephen M. Weld Kindergarten) Marian A. Wein, from Sept. 12 to 14, 1906, inclusive, three days.
George Putnam District—(Ellis Mendell Kindergarten) Daisy A. Barrock, from Sept. 12 to Oct. 10, 1906, inclusive, twenty-one days.
Hancock District—(North End Union Kindergarten) Clara Cuoco, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Lyman District—(James Otis Kindergarten) Sarah Hockman, Sept. 13 and 14, 1906, two days; Frances Melnick, from Sept. 17 to 19, 1906, inclusive, three days.
Approved.

LEAVE OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified:—
Oliver Hazard Perry District—Julia A. Noonan, first assistant, Grammar School, from Oct. 17 until Nov. 17, 1906.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirty-seven minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and the names of two minors to be licensed to black boots.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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WELLS EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 19, 1906, reporting that owing to the increase in the attendance at the Wells Evening School it has been found necessary to open the Mayhew School-house for a portion of the pupils, for which permission was granted.
Placed on file.

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CARE OF FLOORS, MANUAL TRAINING ROOMS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, reporting that it is deemed inexpedient to request the boys in manual training to clean up the floor spaces around the benches, and recommending that no action be taken in the matter.
On motion of Mr. Brock laid on the table.

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CORRECTIONS IN LIST OF CANDIDATES ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT AS TEACHERS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, stating that the following corrections have been made since the printing of Document No. 7, 1906, list of Candidates Eligible for Appointment as Teachers of the Public Schools:—
Sept. 17, 1906: Page 19, Edwin C. Howard. A * should precede his name.
Sept. 21, 1906: Page 19, Samuel B. Paul, name removed by request.
Oct. 5, 1906: Page 10, John C. Brodhead, name removed by request.
Page 25, Elisabeth S. Webster, name removed by request.
Oct. 11, 1906: Page 19, Arthur E. Baker, rated by request under G. A. list with high school rating, viz.: 815 (see page 7).
Page 23, Magdalene M. Stumpf, name removed by request.
Page 23, Alice M. Deehan; Page 26, Annie L. Killion, date of expiration of each of these certificates should be June 1, 1908.
Oct. 19, 1906: Page 7, David G. Miller, name removed by request.
Page 18, Mary Maher, name removed by request.
Placed on file.

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EMPLOYMENT OF SUPERVISORS OF PENMANSHIP.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 19, 1906, stating that in view of the fact that the teaching of penmanship in the public schools has been somewhat changed and that an impetus towards a business handwriting is absolutely necessary, it seems advisable that for a time the teachers should have the help of experts in this subject. It is believed that the teachers, most of whom have never had expert training, will be greatly benefited by a brief course under those who are qualified to give them assistance. The teachers in the elementary schools need a scientific training, especially in exercises and movements.

The high school teachers need such training that their work may be a continuation of and in harmony with the work done in the elementary schools. The Normal School pupils should have the best training possible to fit them for teaching the subject when they join the corps of teachers.

Placed on file.

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Mr. Brock offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the employment of four supervisors of penmanship is hereby authorized for a period not exceeding four months, and that the compensation of such supervisors be established at the rate of one hundred fifty dollars ($150) per month each.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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LIST OF PUBLIC LIBRARY BOOKS FOR EVENING SCHOOL PUPILS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 19, 1906, recommending that it be authorized to publish a catalogue of books in the public library especially adapted to evening high school pupils.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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PREPARATION OF PUPILS FOR HIGH SCHOOL WORK.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 11, 1906, relative to the communication from the Head-Master of the English High School, referred to it on Feb. 23, 1906, relative to the preparation of pupils for high school work, reporting that no further action is necessary.

Placed on file.

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REFERENCE BOOK, HIGH SCHOOLS AND SCHOOLS OF COOKERY.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct 19, 1906, recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That Practical Dietetics with reference to Diet in Disease, by Alida F. Pattee, published by A. F. Pattee, be authorized for use as a reference book in high schools and in schools of cookery, one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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JANITORSHIP, CHRISTOPHER GIBSON PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, stating that the Christopher Gibson Portable School-house No. 83 has been reopened for school use, and recommending that Charles J. Carlson be appointed janitor thereof, to date from Oct. 15, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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JANITORSHIP, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, reporting that owing to the illness of Thomas Buckley, janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, he has appointed William A. Kinsley, to act as janitor, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Oct. 22, 1906.

Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO JAMES J. WALSH.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, recommending that there be paid to James J. Walsh the sum of $8.40 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, from Oct. 16 to 21, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to James J. Walsh the sum of eight and 40-100 dollars ($8.40) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, from Oct. 16 to 21, 1906, inclusive.

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RESIGNATIONS OF JANITORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, submitting the resignation of Jennie Bradbury, as janitor of the Emerson, and portable, No. 55, School-houses, Wells District, to take effect Nov. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 17, 1906, submitting the resignation of Frank M. Murphy, as janitor of the Bailey-street Portable School-house, No. 70, to take effect Oct. 1, 1906; said building being no longer used for school purposes.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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JANITORSHIP, BIRD SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, recommending that Georgiana Griffin be appointed provisionally to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Bird School-house, to date from Oct. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITORS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, of the services performed by the two regular substitute janitors, during the period from Oct. 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, stating that he had interviewed the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for the janitorship of the Common-street School-house; that Carl I. Priest and John D. Devine, standing respectively first and second on the list, desire such employment, and that the third candidate, George P. Young, does not care to be considered therefor, and recommending that the Board select either Mr. Priest or Mr. Devine to fill the vacancy.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid over to the next meeting.

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JANITORSHIP, ATHERTON BUILDING SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, reporting that owing to the illness of Thomas Shattuck, janitor of the Atherton Building School-house, he had appointed Grant Banks for a period of ten days or less, to date from Oct. 22, 1906.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, MINOT PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, recommending that Frank P. Bartlett be appointed to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of portable building No. 44,

lately transferred from the yard of the Christopher Gibson School-house to the yard of the Minot School-house, to date from Oct. 22, 1906.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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LIGHTING OF ENTRANCE TO PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from Frank M. Leavitt, Acting Director of Drawing and Manual Training, under date of Oct. 22, 1906, asking that the Board consider the advisability of requesting the Schoolhouse Commission to provide a suitable outside light for the Dartmouth street entrance of the Public Latin School building, which entrance is used by the pupils of the Warren avenue Evening Drawing School and the School of Design.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide a suitable outside light for the Dartmouth street entrance of the Public Latin School-house.

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TRANSPARENCY FOR LINCOLN EVENING SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to furnish a suitable transparency at the entrance to the Lincoln Evening School, South Boston.

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PAYMENT TO ANNA G. FINN.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Anna G. Finn the sum of fifty cents ($.50) for services rendered as attendant in the Appleton-street Kindergarten on Sept. 20, 1906.

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FIRST ASSISTANTS IN CHARGE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, that part of the order passed at the last meeting (see page 204) relating to the rank and compensation of first assistants in charge, and preceding the list of teachers appointed to that position, was rescinded.

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Mr. William S. Kenny offered the following as a substitute for that part of the aforesaid order rescinded:—

ORDERED, That from and after Nov. 1, 1906, the rank of the following-named teachers (see page 205) now first assistants, Primary School, shall be that of first assistants in charge, and such teachers shall continue to be paid according to the salary schedule established for first assistants, Primary School, until they shall have served one year on the maximun salary of said rank, when they shall be advanced to the maximum salary established for first assistants in charge; provided, however, that no teacher shall be placed on the maximum salary of the new rank prior to Nov. 1, 1906.

Laid on the table.

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MATRON, BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Frederick W. Swan, principal, Bigelow Evening School, under date of Oct. 12, 1906, requesting that the employment of Mary J. Slattery as matron in the Bigelow Evening School for the term of 1906-07, to date from Oct. 8, 1906, be approved.

Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

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On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of the matron of the Bigelow Evening School be established at the rate of one and 50-100 dollars ($1.50) for each evening of actual service for the term 1906-07, to date from Oct. 8, 1906.

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USE OF GYMNASIUM, EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received from A. W. Hagman, on behalf of the East Boston Evening High School Basket Ball Team, for permission to occupy the gymnasium and locker room in the East Boston High School-house, on Saturday evenings from Nov. 17, 1906, to Mar. 30, 1907, between the hours of 7 and 10:30 P.M., for the purpose of playing basket ball.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, referred for consideration and report to a special committee to be appointed by the Chairman.

The Chairman appointed as such committee, Messrs. William S. Kenny and Brock.

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BASKET BALL TEAM, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

The Chairman stated that he had received an application from pupils of the Mechanic Arts High School representing the basket ball team connected with that school for suitable accommodations in which to practise.

The application was referred to the Chairman and Superintendent with full powers.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 317, paragraph 4. Strike out the paragraph, and insert in place thereof the following:—

4. The teacher shall file with the secretary of the Board an agreement in writing, binding the teacher to remain in the service of the Board for three years after the expiration of such leave of absence, or, in case of resignation within said three years, to refund to the Board such proportion of the amount paid him for the time included in the leave of absence as the unexpired portion of said three years may bear to the entire three years. The provisions of this agreement shall not apply to resignation on account of ill health, with the consent of the Board, nor to resignation at the request of the Board.

On motion of the same member, laid over to the next meeting.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 9:35 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

October 29, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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APPOINTMENTS ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

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APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS AND CURATORS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers and curators in the evening schools as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

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REFERENCE BOOK, HIGH SCHOOLS AND SCHOOLS OF COOKERY.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order recommended by the Board of Superintendents, and laid over at the last meeting.

ORDERED, That Practical Dietetics with reference to Diet in Disease, by Alida F. Pattee, published by A. F. Pattee, be authorized for use as a reference book in high schools and in schools of cookery, one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject.

Passed unanimously.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 317, paragraph 4. Strike out the paragraph, and insert in place thereof the following:—

4. The teacher shall file with the secretary of the Board an agreement in writing, binding the teacher to remain in the service of the Board for three years after the expiration of such leave of absence, or, in case of resignation within said three years, to refund to the Board such proportion of the amount paid him for the time included in the leave of absence as the unexpired portion of said three years may bear to the entire three years. The provisions of this agreement shall not apply to resignation on account of ill health, with the consent of the Board, nor to resignation at the request of the Board.

Passed.

JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

The Chairman called the attention of the Board to the communication received from the Schoolhouse Custodian relative to the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, laid over at the last meeting.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board approved the appointment of John D. Devine as janitor of the Common-street School-house, to date from Nov. 1, 1906.

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CASE OF ACHSA M. MERRILL.

The regular order of business being suspended, a communication from Edith Merrill Kettelle, under date of Oct. 29, 1906, with reference to the case of Achsa M. Merrill, was read.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the communication was placed on file.

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TRANSPARENCY FOR LINCOLN EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Oct. 26, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the last meeting, relative to furnishing a suitable transparency at the entrance to the Lincoln Evening School, stating that at present it has no funds available for the purpose.

Placed on file.

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Subsequently, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the principal of the Lincoln Evening School be authorized to provide a suitable transparency at the entrance of that school.

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DEATH OF A TEACHER.

The Superintendent reported the death of Sarah E. Bancroft, an assistant in the Comins School, absent on half pay from Nov. 30, 1905, until Nov. 30, 1906, on Oct. 11, 1906.

Placed on file.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation, reported by the Superintendent, was presented:—

Rice District—Lucy J. Clapp, assistant, Nov. 9, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Adams District—Caroline G. Chard, from Sept. 12 to Nov. 5, 1906, inclusive.

Agassiz District—Gertrude A. Power, from Sept. 27 to Oct. 15, 1906, inclusive. Frances M. Bell, from Oct. 16 to 19, 1906, inclusive.

Christopher Gibson District—Anna M. Murray, from Oct. 17, 1906.

Comins District—Elizabeth M. Quigley, from Sept. 12 to 21, 1906, inclusive.

Martin District—Mary G. L. Quinlan, from Nov. 1, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dudley District—Maurice J. O'Brien, submaster, from Sept. 12, 1906. John C. Riley, assistant, from Sept. 20 to 28, 1906, inclusive.

Wells District—Dorothy Taft, assistant, from Oct. 1, 1906.
Placed on file.

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ON PROBATION.

Brighton High School—Bernadette M. White, special assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Charlestown High School—Miriam Harris, special assistant instructor in physical training, from Nov. 6, 1906.
East Boston High School—Carrie L. Worthen, special instructor in physical training, from Nov. 12, 1906.
Adams District—Caroline G. Chard assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Brimmer District—Estelle C. Chase, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Edward Everett District—Rose D. Hoye, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Emerson District—Anna A. Aronie, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Franklin District—Violet M. Nevins, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Gilbert Stuart District—Ella M. B. Hayes, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906. Grace L. White, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—John J. Cummings, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Phillips Brooks District—Eunice C. Hearn, Minnie B. Conant, assistants, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Prescott District—Helen I. Bridge, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Rice District—Elinor Maher, assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.
Thomas Gardner District—Dorothy Hill, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Washington District—Frances Burnce, Mary C. Locke, assistants, from Nov. 6, 1906.
William E. Russell District—Caroline J. Trommer, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Dorchester High School—Lillian G. Marr, Edith A. Mayberry, assistants.
West Roxbury High School—Emma F. Simmons, assistant.
Bigelow District—Annie C. MacDonald, assistant.
Bowdoin District—Maud A. Lynch, assistant, Kindergarten.
Eliot District—Mary E. McCormick, assistant.
Hugh O'Brien District—Mary P. Barry, Alice Church, assistants.
Roger Wolcott District—Anna F. Maybury, assistant.
Washington District—Elizabeth A. Lyons, assistant, Kindergarten.
Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Central High School—Assistant, Henry L. Withee, from Oct. 24, 1906.
Roxbury High School—Assistants, William A. Reed, from Oct. 22, 1906; Jennie R. Dix, from Oct. 23, 1906.
Lincoln School—Assistants, Mary A. Mulvey, from Oct. 22, 1906; Ellen M. Finnerty, from Oct. 23, 1906.
Quincy School—Assistant, Jennie N. Whitcher, from Oct. 22, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Alice F. Gleason, Alice S. Small, Annie E. Simms.
Approved.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Bunker Hill District—(B. F. Tweed Kindergarten) Gertrude L. Barthelmes, from Oct. 22, 1906.
Comins District—(Columbus-avenue Kindergarten) Marie Erath, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Quincy District—(Tyler-street Kindergarten) Grace J. Elcock, from Oct. 11, 1906.
Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—
Eliot District—Clara A. Malloch, first assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 1, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.
Hancock District—Mary C. Peabody, first assistant, Kindergarten, from Oct. 19 until Nov. 12, 1906.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Feroline W. Fox, assistant, from Oct. 22 until Nov. 12, 1906.
Manual Training Schools—Ella G. Smith, assistant instructor, from Nov. 1, 1906, until Feb. 1, 1907.

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On the recommendation of the Superintendent, the leave of absence granted by the Board on Oct. 1, 1906, to Sarah H. Williams, first assistant, Kindergarten in the Dudley District, to study, was rescinded, and said teacher was granted leave of absence for the same purpose from Oct. 15, 1906, until May 29, 1907.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of eighteen minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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ADDITIONAL SUB-MASTER, AGASSIZ SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 29, 1906, stating that the proper administration of the Agassiz School requires the employment of an additional sub-master, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the employment of an additional sub-master in the Agassiz District is hereby authorized for the school year 1906-07.
Placed on file, the rules suspended, and the order passed.

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LIST OF CANDIDATES ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT AS TEACHERS.

The following communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Oct. 29, 1906:—
I desire to inform the School Committee that I have caused a copy of the list of candidates eligible for appointment as teachers in the public schools, to be posted on the bulletin board in the lower hall of this building where it will be subject to public inspection. This list will be kept corrected to date. In connection therewith I have posted the following explanation:—

Eligible Lists.

(1) Appointments of temporary teachers, substitutes, special assistants in elementary schools, and teachers in evening and vacation schools, are not governed by these lists.
(2) Appointments on probation to permanent day school positions, except those of principals and directors, are made either
(a) by promotion of someone already holding a permanent day school position;
or
(b) from the highest three on the proper eligible list who are willing to accept appointment and who hold the proper certificate.

On the list attached those appointed have been crossed off. If more than two names precede the last one appointed on any list, all but two of those preceding either do not hold the proper certificate or have declined appointment.
Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO DANIEL N. HANDY.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That there be paid to Daniel N. Handy the sum of twelve dollars ($12) for services rendered in the Central Evening High School on Oct. 16, 18 and 23, 1906, in organizing the school.

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PAYMENT TO TERESA RYAN.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That there be paid to Teresa Ryan the sum of thirty-six dollars ($36) for clerical assistance rendered in the office of the Superintendent from Sept. 12 to Sept. 26, 1906, inclusive, and from Oct. 11 to Oct. 23, 1906, inclusive.

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PAYMENT TO MAY CRIBBS.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That there be paid to May Cribbs the sum of eight dollars ($8) for services rendered as stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent from Sept. 24 to Sept. 27, 1906, inclusive.

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PAYMENT TO GERTRUDE SANDER.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That there be paid to Gertrude Sander the sum of four dollars ($4) for services rendered as stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Superintendent on Oct. 5 and 6, 1906.

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KNIFE CUTTER AND MATERIAL FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 29, 1906, recommending that each elementary school district be supplied with a fifteen-inch knife cutter for preparing material for use in arithmetic, manual training, etc.; that prepared material be supplied to each first grade for use in the study of number; and that a suitable appropriation, not to exceed $800, be made for these purposes.
Placed on file

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Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:—
ORDERED, That an expenditure not to exceed eight hundred dollars ($800) be authorized for the purpose of supplying each elementary school district with a fifteen-inch knife cutter for preparing material for use in arithmetic, manual training, etc., and for prepared material for each first grade in the study of number.
Laid on the table.

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TEXT AND REFERENCE BOOKS, HIGH AND LATIN SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 29, 1906, recommending the passage of the following orders:—
ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the high schools:—
French Commercial Correspondence, by Elphege Janau, published by Longmans, Green & Co.
Abraham Lincoln, by Carl Schurz; The Gettysburg Speech and Other Papers, by Abraham Lincoln, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.
Sesame and Lilies, by John Ruskin.
The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin.
Commercial Geography, by Henry Gannett, Carl L. Garrison and Edwin J. Houston, published by the American Book Company.
Commercial German, by Arnold Kutner, published by the American Book Company.
Practical Business Arithmetic, by John H. Moore and George W. Miner, published by Ginn & Company.
ORDERED, That the following-named book be authorized for use as a reference book in the high and Latin schools, one copy to be furnished each school:—
Epitome of Ancient, Mediaeval, and Modern History, by Carl Ploetz, translated by William H. Tillinghast, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Company.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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Mr. Thomas J. Kenny in the chair.

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AMENDMENTS TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 29, 1906, stating that by recent legislation it has amended Document No. 7, 1906, List of Candidates Eligible for Appointment as Teachers, as follows:—
Page 9, High School, Physics—Chemistry, 764, Joseph A. Ewart, having been entered under this heading by error, is hereby transferred to the High School—English list, page 6, and is also, by his request, rated as a sub-master under his present high school rating, viz.: 764.
Page 23. Guy E. Healey. Strike out the *.
Page 27. Margaret M. Burke, date of expiration of certificate should be June 1, 1908.
Placed on file.

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RATINGS OF PHYSICAL TRAINING CANDIDATES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 29, 1906, stating that it has completed the rating of teachers eligible for appointment to physical training positions in high schools. The entire list, including those previously rated, being as follows:—

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
950—	*Bessie L. Barnes	June 1, 1908
915—	*Carrie L. Worthen	April 28, 1907
890—	*Miriam Harris	June 1, 1908
880—	Bertha P. Ames	June 1, 1908
851—	*Corinna Barry	June 1, 1908
823—	*Ellen A. Whalen	April 28, 1908
779—	*Frances B. Walker	April 28, 1907
776—	Edna P. Carret	June 1, 1908
769—	*Z. Zay Engle	April 28, 1907
760—	*Celia M. Choate	April 28, 1907
744—	*Edna B. Manship	April 28, 1907
725—	Lucy F. Hunter	June 1, 1908
722—	Theresa E. Leen	June 1, 1908
720—	Alice L. McManus	June 1, 1908
719—	Julia A. Murphy	June 1, 1908
712—	*Gertrude A. Poor	April 28, 1908
693—	*Caroline B. Besarick	April 28, 1908
650—	Christina J. Carret	June 1, 1908

*Holds Special Certificate, High School—Physical Training.
Placed on file.

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OFFICE FILING DEVICES, BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 23, 1906, recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That an appropriation not exceeding seventy dollars ($70) be allowed the Board of Superintendents for the purchase of suitable letter filing devices for the offices of the Assistant Superintendents.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the accompanying order was passed.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Oct. 29, 1906, recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That paragraph 3 of section 218 of the regulations, in so far as it relates to high schools, may be suspended in individual cases by the assistant superintendents.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schooihouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 27, 1906, submitting the resignation of Lottie F. Trites as janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, Minot District, to take effect Nov. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 27, 1906, reporting the name of Thomas Buckley, now janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, as the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the transfer of Thomas Buckley as aforesaid was approved, to date from Nov. 1, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, EMERSON AND PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 27, 1906, reporting the name of John Riordan, now substitute janitor, as the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Emerson and portable, No. 55, Schoolhouses.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the transfer of John Riordan as aforesaid, was approved, to date from Nov. 1, 1906.

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REGULAR SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 27, 1906, recommending that the Civil Service Commission be requested to certify the names of eligible candidates to fill the vacancy in the position of substitute janitor caused by the transfer of John Riordan.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the Secretary was directed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

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JANITORSHIP, PLUMMER PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 27, 1906, recommending that John H. Crafts be appointed to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of portable building No. 30 lately transferred from the yard of the Lewis School-house to the yard of the Plummer School-house; said appointment to date from Oct. 27, 1906.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Storrow, the appointment was approved.

JANITORSHIP, WASHINGTON PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Oct. 27, 1906, recommending that John F. Harrington be appointed to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of portable buildings Nos. 8 and 32 lately transferred to the yard of the Washington School-house; said appointment to date from Oct. 27, 1906.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, the appointment was approved.

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USE OF ROOM, QUINCY EVENING SCHOOL.

A petition was received from Edward M. Hartwell and four others, members of the Education Committee of the Twentieth Century Club, for the use of a room in the Quincy School-house, to be heated and lighted free of expense to them, to be used by persons whom they may propose for the purpose of increasing the facilities for instruction in elementary English in the Quincy Evening School. The supervision of such instruction to rest with the principal of such school and with the Director of Evening Schools, with the understanding that such instruction shall not be accepted by them unless it is fully equal to the requirements of the regular classes in such schools.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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PAYMENT TO MARY A. FOUHY.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Mary A. Fouhy the sum of twenty dollars ($20) for services rendered as matron of the Charlestown Vacation School during the past summer.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM A. REED.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William A. Reed, principal of the North End Vacation School, the sum of forty dollars ($40) for extra services rendered in connection with the afternoon sessions of the playground connected with that school during the past summer.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

Mr. Storrow offered he following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 334, paragraph 1. Strike out in the third and fourth lines the words,—"one two-hundredth part of the annual salary of the absentee," and substitute in place thereof the words,—one-thirtieth part of the monthly salary of the absentee.

Laid on the table.

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OPENING OF BATHS, PAUL REVERE SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian investigate and report on the advisability of opening the baths of the Paul Revere School to the public, and as to the limitations under which this would be feasible.

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Mr. Storrow in the Chair.

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MATRONS, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that a matron be employed in the South Boston Evening High School.

Passed.

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Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that a matron be employed in the Charlestown

Evening High School for two evenings each week; also in the Central Evening High School during such part of the term as the principal may deem necessary.
Passed.

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SALARIES OF JANITORS OF LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

Mr. Brock offered the following:—
ORDERED, That from and after Jan. 1, 1907, the salaries of the janitors of the several buildings owned and occupied by the city as Latin and high schools, except the Public Latin, English High and Mechanic Arts High School-houses, shall be established in accordance with the schedule of compensation for janitor service applicable to other school buildings; provided, however, that until such time as the Girls' High School-house shall be under the charge of a single janitor, the schedule rate of compensation for janitor service of said building; viz., $3144 per annum, shall be apportioned as follows: To the janitor, $2244; to the assistant janitor, $900.
On motion of the same member, laid on the table.

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ELECTION AND SALARY OF BUSINESS AGENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board proceeded to the election of a Business Agent.
The members as their names were called respectively stated that they voted as follows:—
For William J. Smith: Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny and Storrow—5.
The Chairman declared William J. Smith unanimously elected to the position of Business Agent.

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On motion of Mr. Brock, it was
ORDERED, That the salary of the Business Agent be established at the rate of thirty-seven hundred eighty dollars ($3780) per annum until otherwise ordered.

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JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

Mr. Ellis, for the special committee appointed Oct. 1, 1906, to consider and report what, if any, action it would be wise for the School Committee to take with reference to making an exhibit at the Jamestown Exposition, reported that a conference had been had with the Mayor on the subject, and recommended the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That an expenditure not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars ($2500) be authorized for an exhibit of the work of the Boston public schools to be made at the Jamestown Exposition.
The report was accepted, and the order laid over to the next meeting.

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EMPLOYMENT OF SUPERVISORS OF PENMANSHIP.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the order introduced at the last meeting of the Board with reference to the employment of four supervisors of penmanship (see p. 211) was taken from the table.
On motion of the same member, the order was laid over to the next meeting.

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FIRST ASSISTANTS IN CHARGE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the order introduced at the last meeting relating to the rank and compensation of first assistants in charge (see p. 212) was taken from the table.
On motion of the same member, the order passed.

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USE OF GYMNASIUM, EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

Mr. William S. Kenny, for the special committee appointed at the last meeting to consider and report on the application received on behalf of the East Boston Evening High School Basket Ball Team, to occupy the gymnasium of the East Boston High School-house for basket ball games during the coming season, made a report with reference to the same, recommending that this application, and two similar ones which had subsequently been received, be not approved.
The report was accepted, and the recommendation adopted.

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CARE OF FLOORS, MANUAL TRAINING ROOMS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the communication received from the Superintendent at the last meeting with reference to boys in manual training being requested to clean up the floor space around their respective benches, was taken from the table, and placed on file.
On motion of the same member, the Superintendent was requested to instruct the Acting Director of Drawing and Manual Training to make this experiment in one manual training room.

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COMPENSATION FOR JANITOR SERVICE, MECHANIC ARTS EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

Mr. Brock offered the following:—
ORDERED, That beginning with the evening school term of 1906-07 and until otherwise ordered, the schedule of compensation for janitor service of the Mechanic Arts Evening Drawing School shall be at the same rate as for buildings occupied by evening high schools; provided, that said schedule shall be divided between the janitor and engineer as follows: To the janitor 70 p.c. and to the engineer 30 p.c. of the $22.50 per month allowed for attendance and supervision; to the janitor the full schedule rate for cleaning; and to the engineer the full schedule rate for attendance of an engineer.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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COMPENSATION FOR JANITOR SERVICE, ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

Mr. Brock offered the following:—
ORDERED, That beginning with the evening school term of 1906-07, and until otherwise ordered, the schedule of compensation for janitor service of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, now occupying the Old Dearborn School-house, shall be at the same rate as for buildings occupied by evening elementary schools, except that the schedule rate for attendance and supervision shall be at the rate of $37.50 per month, instead of $22.50, in consequence of the building being occupied only for evening school purposes.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.
On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

SALARY OF HANNAH B. FORD.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was
ORDERED, That Hannah B. Ford, assistant in the Dudley District, be placed upon the fourth year of service in her rank, to date from Sept. 20, 1906.

ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 11:35 o'clock P.M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

November 5, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

APPOINTMENTS ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were unanimously approved.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers in the evening schools as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

TEXT AND REFERENCE BOOKS, HIGH AND LATIN SCHOOLS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following orders recommended by the Board of Superintendents, and laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as text-books in the high schools:—

French Commercial Correspondence, by Elphege Janau, published by Longmans, Green & Co.

Abraham Lincoln, by Carl Schurz; The Gettysburg Speech and Other Papers, by Abraham Lincoln, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Co.

Sesame and Lilies, by John Ruskin.

The Autobiography of Benjamin Franklin.

Commercial Geography, by Henry Gannett, Carl L. Garrison and Edwin J. Houston, published by the American Book Company.

Commercial German, by Arnold Kutner, published by the American Book Company.

Practical Business Arithmetic, by John H. Moore and George W. Miner, published by Ginn & Company.

ORDERED, That the following-named book be authorized for use as a reference book in the high and Latin schools, one copy to be furnished each school:—

Epitome of Ancient, Mediaeval, and Modern History, by Carl Ploetz, translated by William H. Tillinghast, published by Houghton, Mifflin & Company.

Passed unanimously.

AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order recommended by the Board of Superintendents, and laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That paragraph 3 of section 218 of the regulations, in so far as it relates to high schools, may be suspended in individual cases by the assistant superintendents.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

USE OF ROOM, QUINCY EVENING SCHOOL.

The Chairman called the attention of the Board to the petition received from Edward M. Hartwell and four others, members of the Education Committee of the Twentieth Century Club, for the use of a room in the Quincy School-house, laid over at the last meeting.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Board of Superintendents for consideration and report.

JAMESTOWN EXPOSITION.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That an expenditure not exceeding twenty-five hundred dollars ($2500) be authorized for an exhibit of the work of the Boston public schools to be made at the Jamestown Exposition.

Passed.

EMPLOYMENT OF SUPERVISORS OF PENMANSHIP.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order, laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That the employment of four supervisors of penmanship is hereby authorized for a period not exceeding four months, and that the compensation of such supervisors be established at the rate of one hundred fifty dollars ($150) per month each.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the matter was recommitted to the Board of Superintendents for further consideration and report as to the expediency of adopting but one writing book for use in the schools.

COMPENSATION FOR JANITOR SERVICE, MECHANIC ARTS EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That beginning with the evening school term of 1906-07, and until otherwise ordered, the schedule of compensation for janitor service of the Mechanic Arts Evening Drawing School shall be at the same rate as for buildings occupied by evening high schools; provided, that said schedule shall be divided between the janitor and engineer as follows: To the janitor 70 p.c. and to the engineer 30 p.c. of the $22.50 per month allowed for attendance and supervision; to the janitor the full schedule rate for cleaning; and to the engineer the full schedule rate for attendance of an engineer.

Passed.

COMPENSATION FOR JANITOR SERVICE, ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That beginning with the evening school term of 1906-07, and until otherwise ordered, the schedule of compensation for janitor service of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, now occupying the Old Dearborn School-house, shall be at the same rate as for buildings occupied by evening elementary schools, except that the schedule rate for attendance and supervision shall be at the rate of

$37.50 per month, instead of $22.50, in consequence of the building being occupied only for evening school purposes.
Passed.

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USE OF HALL OF ROXBURY HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE FOR MUSICAL INSTRUCTION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the application for the use of the hall of the Roxbury High School-house for free musical and orchestral instruction under the direction of a competent instructor, received at the meeting of May 28, 1906, was placed on file.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—
Dillaway District—Annie E. Mahan, assistant, Nov. 1, 1906.
Henry L. Pierce District—Keziah J. Anslow, assistant, Nov. 1, 1906; Agnes M. Macdonald, assistant, Kindergarten, Nov. 9, 1906.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Grace Hall, assistant, Nov. 1, 1906.
Quincy District—Orra E. Guild, assistant, Nov. 1, 1906.
Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Christopher Gibson District—Jennie A. Green, from Nov. 5, 1906.
Dillaway District—Ellen R. Scott, from Nov. 1, 1906.
Lowell District—Helena McGinnis, Oct. 23 and 24, 1906, two days.
Quincy District—Mary A. A. Haverty, from Oct. 31, 1906.
Shurtleff District—Margaret A. F. Cotter, Agnes G. R. Fitzsimmons, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Washington District—Mildred Kallen, from Nov. 12, 1906.
Washington Allston District—Josephine M. Haney, Oct. 30 and 31, 1906, two days.
Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Girls' High School—Clara A. Hawthorne, special assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.
William E. Russell District—Catherine G. Kelleher, assistant, Oct. 25, 1906, one day.
Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dudley District—Evelyn G. McGinley, assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.
Lincoln District—Alice F. Moore, assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.
Thomas Gardner District—William A. Hoyt, sub-master (special order), from Nov. 12, 1906.
Manual Training Schools—Ella L. Bresnehen, assistant instructor, from Nov. 12, 1906.
Sewing—Helena M. Doherty, teacher, from Nov. 12 to 30, 1906, inclusive. Anastasia Gannon, teacher, from Nov. 14, 1906.
Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Agassiz District—Arthur E. Baker, sub-master (special order), from Nov. 13, 1906.
Bunker Hill District—Jacqueline Carroll, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 13, 1906.
Christopher Gibson District—Rose E. A. Redding, first assistant in charge, from Nov. 1, 1906.
George Putnam District—Helen E. Hermes, assistant, from Nov. 13, 1906.
Henry L. Pierce District—Ethel M. Coleman, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 12, 1906.
John A. Andrew District—Mabel G. Finlay, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 13, 1906.
Lincoln District—Mary E. McCarthy, assistant, Kindergarten, from Nov. 13, 1906.
Phillips District—Joel W. Reynolds, sub-master (special order), from Nov. 13, 1906.
Director of Drawing and Manual Training—Walter Sargent, from Dec. 1, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

English High School—John A. Marsh, junior-master.
Phillips Brooks District—Jane K. Daly, Catherine J. Sullivan, assistants.
Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Central High School—Assistant, Charles P. Lebon, from Nov. 1, 1906. Matron, Margaret Mountain, from Oct. 31, 1906.
Roxbury High School—Assistant, William F. Boos, Oct. 9 and 11, 1906, two evenings.
South Boston High School—Assistant, Austin H. Fittz, from Oct. 8, 1906. Matron, Mary F. Sullivan, from Oct. 17, 1906.
Bigelow School—Assistants, Eleanor F. Morris, from Oct. 31, 1906; Grace M. Cavanagh, Martha L. Ireland, from Nov. 1, 1906.
Bowdoin School—Assistants, Gertrude E. Welch, Julia V. Guiney, from Oct. 22, 1906; Alice M. Russell, from Oct. 23, 1906; Rosanna M. Dowd, from Oct. 29, 1906.
Eliot School—Assistants, Julius A. Weigmann, from Oct. 8, 1906; Alice M. Flanagan, from Oct. 29, 1906.
Sherwin School—First assistant, Arthur E. Baker, from Oct. 23, 1906. Assistant, Mary H. Leavey, from Oct. 16, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Lawrence District—(Parkman Kindergarten) Florence Nuttall, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Washington District—(Baldwin Kindergarten) Josephine Di Mare, from Sept. 12, 1906.
Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—
Bowdoin District—Mary F. Murphy, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.
Lowell District—Jane J. Wood, assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906, until Mar. 12, 1907.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of twenty-three minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers, he having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.
Approved.

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APPOINTMENT OF CLERK, SUPERINTENDENT'S OFFICE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, submitting for approval the appointment of Helena W. McMahon as a clerk in his office, to date from Nov. 6, 1906, in accordance with the terms of an order passed Oct. 15, 1906.
Placed on file, and the appointment approved.

ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS, QUINCY DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, relative to the need of additional accommodations in the Quincy District, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide additional quarters for children of the first three grades in the Quincy District now excluded for want of room, either by renting premises in the territory bounded by the Boston and Albany railroad, Harrison avenue, Dover street and Washington street; or by providing a portable building for the yard of the Andrews School.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

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CARE OF FLOORS, MANUAL TRAINING ROOMS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, stating that he had asked the Acting Director of Drawing and Manual Training to select a manual training room for the purpose of making the experiment of having the boys in manual training clean up the floor spaces around their respective benches, in compliance with the action taken at the meeting of Oct. 29, 1906, and that said director had chosen the Winship School for the purpose.

Placed on file.

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SEMI-ANNUAL STATISTICS, JUNE 30, 1906.

The Superintendent, in accordance with the rules, submitted in print an abstract of the semi-annual statistics relating to the schools for the preceding half-year ending June 30, 1906 (School Document No. 14, 1906).

Placed on file.

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COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF NUMBER OF PUPILS IN PUBLIC DAY SCHOOLS AND THEIR HOUSING.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, containing a statement of the number of pupils in the public day schools, not including special schools and special classes, as of Sept. 30, 1906, showing the increase or decrease in the number of pupils in each school or district as compared with the previous year, and of the housing of said pupils.

Placed on file.

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AMENDMENTS TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, stating that it has amended School Document No. 7, 1906, List of Candidates Eligible for Appointment as Teachers, as follows:—

Page 25, Kindergarten: Amy L. Crosby, M. Alice Costello, and Agnes G. Ryan, names removed from list, these candidates having been appointed to permanent positions Nov. 25, 1905, Nov. 1, 1905, and Jan. 2, 1906, respectively, and should not, therefore, have been included in the eligible lists prepared in June.

Page 7, High School, Ancient Languages: (702) Harold C. Childs, name removed from list by request.

Page 24, Grammar School, Class B: (580) Ella T. Folan, name removed from list, information having been received of her death.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, OLD HORACE MANN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 1, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Old Horace Mann School-house, he had reappointed William A. Kinsley for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, reporting the name of John D. Devine, recently appointed janitor of the Common-street School-house, as the only applicant for transfer to the janitorship of the Old Horace Mann School-house, and recommending that he be transferred to that position.

Placed on file, and the transfer of John D. Devine as aforesaid was approved, to date from Nov. 6, 1906.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM A. KINSLEY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, recommending that there be paid to William A. Kinsley the sum of $13.66 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house from Oct. 22 to 31, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William A. Kinsley the sum of thirteen and 66-100 dollars ($13.66) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, from Oct. 22 to 31, 1906, inclusive.

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PAYMENT TO GRANT BANKS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov 1, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Grant Banks the sum of $12.30 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Atherton Building School-house from Oct. 22 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Grant Banks the sum of twelve and 30-100 dollars ($12.30) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Atherton Building School-house, from Oct. 22 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

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JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 1, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, Minot District, caused by the illness of the regular janitor, he had appointed Nellie Mahoney for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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OPENING OF BATHS, PAUL REVERE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board taken at the meeting of Oct. 29, 1906, relative to the advisability of opening the baths of the Paul Revere School to the public, and as to the limitations under which this would be feasible, stating that he believes they should be opened on Wednesday, Friday and Saturday evenings from 7 to 10 o'clock for adults and children over fourteen years of age, who should furnish their own towels and soap; that it will be necessary to have three persons in attendance, a matron, janitor and male assistant; the cost of which service would be about $5 per evening. The amount of coal consumed would be about one-half ton per evening.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the matter was referred to the Chairman to confer with the Bath Commissioners to ascertain if that

department will assume the care and expense of opening the baths in the Paul Revere School-house for public use.

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COMMISSION TO CONSIDER MATTERS AFFECTING HEALTH OF CHILDREN ATTENDING FIRST THREE GRADES.

The following communication was received:—

Oct. 30, 1906.

The Boston School Committee,
Mr. Thornton D. Apollonio, Secretary.
My dear Sir:—

In keeping with the request made by your Committee at the time of the appointment of the Commission "to consider the desirable length of session, periods of recess, curriculum, and all other matters pertaining to the health of the children in the first three grades of the public schools" that a report be made to your Committee not later than November 1st of this year, the following report is presented:—

At the meeting of the Commission, at which the Superintendent of Schools was present, it was appreciated that it would be impossible in this short time, during much of which the schools would not be in session, to make a complete report upon the subject for which the Commission was appointed. Accordingly this report, which we respectfully submit, is merely preliminary to the fuller report to be presented in the future.

Our investigations up to this time have been directed along three lines:

(1). Learning, from copies of the curricula submitted to us by the teachers, the nature of the work done in the first three grades.

(2). Familiarizing ourselves with the extensive literature bearing on our subjects of investigation.

(3). Visiting the schools to determine for ourselves the existing conditions.

Later we are to meet in conference a committee of masters, appointed by the School Committee.

Just how much time will be required to complete our observations it is impossible for us at this time to state, but as soon as the work is completed we will communicate with you at once.

Respectfully submitted,
Joel E. Goldthwait,
George S. C. Badger,
Louis P. O'Donnell,
James S. Stone.

Placed on file, and the Secretary directed to acknowledge the receipt of the foregoing report and to express the thanks of the Board for what the Commission has already done in this matter, and for the further investigation which it proposes to make.

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RESOLUTIONS ON DEATH OF GRANVILLE S. WEBSTER.

A communication was received from Mrs. Caroline B. Webster, under date of Oct. 31, 1906, acknowledging the receipt of the resolutions passed by the Board on the death of her husband, the late Granville S. Webster, Principal of the Eliot District, and expressing her appreciation thereof.

Placed on file.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the order offered by Mr. Storrow at the last meeting (See p. 216) to amend section 334 of the regulations relating to compensation of teachers absent from duty, was taken from the table.

Mr. Storrow offered the following and moved its substitution for the aforesaid order:

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 315. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Section 315. No teacher shall be granted leave of absence except for the following reasons:—

(1) Personal illness. (2) Critical illness or death in the immediate family of the teacher. (3) To attend the funeral of a teacher or school officer in the employ of the city. (4) To serve in teachers' institutes held under the direction of state boards of education, or to take part in teachers' associations. (5) To visit other schools. (6) To study and travel. (7) By order of the Board on the recommendation of the Superintendent.

Sect. 316. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 316. 1. The superintendent may, in his discretion, grant leave of absence to a director or a principal because of personal illness for a period not exceeding one week, and to a subordinate teacher for a period not exceeding three weeks. If longer leave is required, the applicant must file with the superintendent a satisfactory certificate from a physician that such leave is necessary.

2. The superintendent may, in his discretion, grant to any teacher leave of absence (1) because of critical illness or death in the immediate family of such teacher, for not more than five days, (2) to attend the funeral of a teacher or school officer in the employ of the city, for not more than one day, (3) to serve in teachers' institutes held under the direction of state boards of education or to take part in teachers' associations, for not more than three days. He shall report to the Board for action such other applications for leave of absence as he may approve.

(For the provisions of the regulations with respect to compensation of absent teachers see Sect. 334.)

Sect. 334. Strike out the section, and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 334. 1. The salaries of teachers absent from duty to visit other schools, not exceeding two days in each school year, or under leave granted by the superintendent (1) because of death in the immediate family of the teacher, for not more than five days, (2) to attend the funeral of a teacher or school officer in the employ of the city, for not more than one day, (3) for service in teachers' institutes held under the direction of state boards of education or to take part in teachers' associations, for not more than three days, (4) for court attendance on school business, shall be subject to no deduction for the period of absence.

2. The salaries of teachers otherwise absent from duty shall be subject to a deduction for each day's absence equal to one four-hundredth part of the annual salary of the absentee.

The motion to substitute passed.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were unanimously suspended to permit immediate action on the substitute order.

The substitute order passed.

Mr. Ellis moved that the provisions of the foregoing order take effect as of Sept. 12, 1906.

Passed.

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APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills for the month of November, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditor, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Storrow.

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BASKET BALL PRACTICE, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Chairman was requested and authorized to make such arrangement as he may deem expedient to provide accommodations

for basket ball practice for pupils of the Mechanic Arts High School.

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KNIFE CUTTER AND MATERIAL FOR ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the following order was taken from the table:

ORDERED, That an expenditure not to exceed eight hundred dollars ($800) be authorized for the purpose of supplying each elementary school district with a fifteen-inch knife cutter for preparing material for use in arithmetic, manual training, etc., and for prepared material for each first grade in the study of number.

On motion of the same member, the order passed.

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CHARGE FOR USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the order offered by him at the meeting of May 7, 1906 (see p. 211), with regard to a charge for use of school buildings, was taken from the table, and indefinitely postponed.

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NAMING OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that a special committee be appointed by the Chairman to consider and report as to appropriate names to be given various school buildings.

The motion passed, and the Chairman appointed as such committee Messrs. Thomas J. Kenny, Ellis and William S. Kenny.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the doors were opened.

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COMPLETION OF MODEL SCHOOL BUILDING.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to proceed to complete the Model School building of the Normal School group according to the present plans with the least possible delay.

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LOCATION OF NEW HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That this Board hereby designates the Lewis School District as the district within which the new High School of Commerce shall be located.

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EXPENDITURE FOR REFERENCE AND SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That an expenditure of five thousand dollars ($5000) for the purchase of reference and supplementary books is hereby authorized, and the Board of Superintendents is hereby directed to apportion this expenditure among the different schools.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 10:59 o'clock P. M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

ALLIED PRINTING TRADES UNION LABEL COUNCIL BOSTON MASS. 21

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

November 12, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

THE PARENTS' AND TEACHERS' UNION.

The regular order of business being suspended, a communication, under date of Nov. 5, 1906, from Edith Merrill Kettelle transmitting a copy of the constitution of The Parents' and Teachers' Union, and suggesting to the Board the adoption of certain measures, was received.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, placed on file.

APPOINTMENTS ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 12, 1906, withdrawing the appointment on probation of Helen E. Hermes as assistant in the George Putnam District, as reported by him at the previous meeting, Miss Hermes having declined to accept the position.

Placed on file.

The aforesaid appointments, except that of Miss Hermes and of Walter Sargent as Director of Drawing and Manual Training, were thereupon approved.

The question came on approving the appointment of Walter Sargent, as Director of Drawing and Manual Training, and, on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Chairman directed the Secretary to call the roll. The aforesaid appointment was approved by the following vote:—

Yeas—Messrs. Brock, Ellis, Thomas J. Kenny, William S. Kenny and Storrow—5.

APPOINTMENTS OF TEACHERS AND MATRONS, EVENING SCHOOLS.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers and matrons in the evening schools as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

DEATH OF A TEACHER.

The Superintendent reported the death of Edith L. Stratton, first assistant in charge, Brimmer District, on Nov. 6, 1906.

Placed on file.

RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations, reported by the Superintendent, were presented:—

Normal School—Caroline D. Aborn, assistant, Dec. 1, 1906.

Lyman District—Sophie G. Thayer, assistant, Dec. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

The following appointments, confirmations and transfers by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Blackinton District—Mary A. Geary, from Nov. 13, 1906.

Dwight District—Miriam J. Bronski, Nov. 6 and 7, 1906, two days.

Jefferson District—Nellie F. Sheehan, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Lewis District—Elizabeth M. Quigley, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Elizabeth V. Doherty, from Nov. 13, 1906.

Robert G. Shaw District—Jessie L. Sweet, Kindergarten, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Shurtleff District—Agnes C. Morris, Kindergarten, from Nov. 13, 1906.

Washington District—Mary T. Baker, from Nov. 8, 1906.

Approved.

TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Mary E. Fennelly, assistant, from Nov. 7, 1906.

Lincoln District—John C. Riley, assistant, from Nov. 9, 1906.

Washington District—Ivory F. Frisbee, assistant, from Oct. 22 to Nov. 5, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Bessie C. MacBrine, assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Eliot District—James A. Crowley, assistant, from Nov. 12 to 19, 1906, inclusive.

Phillips District—Deborah F. Barry, assistant, from Nov. 12 to 23, 1906, inclusive.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

Public Latin School—Cora W. Taylor, special assistant, from Nov. 5, 1906.

Girls' High School—Clara A. Hawthorne, special assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Roxbury High School—Georgiana V. Wait, special assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.

South Boston High School—Christina M. McCarthy, special assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.

West Roxbury High School—Mabel E. Woodworth, special assistant, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Bigelow District—Theobald A. Lynch, assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Brimmer District—Margaret L. Eaton, first assistant in charge, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Christopher Gibson District—Mary I. McIsaac, assistant, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Emerson District—Edith A. Duclos, assistant, from Nov. 20, 1906.

George Putnam District—Mary M. French, assistant, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Lyman District—Rose G. Harris, assistant, from Nov. 20, 1906; Gertrude E. Mayo, assistant, from Dec. 3, 1906.

Minot District—Helen S. Chapman, assistant, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Phillips Brooks District—Lavinia M. MacLean, assistant, from Nov. 26, 1906.

Robert G. Shaw District—Martha B. Johnson, assistant, from Nov. 13, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—Herbert F. Sylvester, sub-master (special order), from Nov. 20, 1906.

Washington District—Alice E. MacKusick, Mary V. Cronin, assistants, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Wells District—Eleanore E. Hubbard, Amy V. Kingston, assistants, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Supervisor of Household Science and Arts—Josephine Morris, from Dec. 1, 1906.
The reading of the aforesaid appointments was omitted, and they were laid over to the next meeting.

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Subsequently, the following appointment in accordance with the rules and regulations and a special order passed by the Board was presented:—
Eliot District—Paul V. Donovan, sub-master, from Nov. 20, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Jefferson District—John W. Lillis, sub-master.
Phillips Brooks District—Fannie Barnett, Grace M. Hart, Helen S. S. Wilkinson, assistants.
Washington Allston District—Louis P. Nash, sub-master.
Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Central High School—Assistant, Rollin H. Fisher, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Charlestown High School—Matron, Catherine Dunn, from Nov. 13, 1906, two evenings each week.
Bigelow School—Assistant, Mary E. Porter, from Oct. 31 to Nov. 9, 1906, inclusive.
Approved.

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TRANSFERS.

Brimmer District—Estelle C. Chase, assistant, on probation, to the same position, on probation, in the Norcross District, from Nov. 6, 1906.
Robert G. Shaw District—Florence I. Reddy, assistant, to the same position in the Christopher Gibson District, from Nov. 13, 1906.
Placed on file.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTEN.

Agassiz District—(Old Agassiz Kindergarten) Helen M. Perchard, from Nov. 5, 1906.
George Putnam District—(Ellis Mendell Kindergarten) Daisy A. Barrock, from Oct. 11, 1906.
Placed on file.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—
Agassiz District—Mary E. Stuart, assistant, from Oct. 29 until Dec. 29, 1906.
Dwight District—Emma A. Child, assistant, Nov. 8, 1906, one day.
Henry L. Pierce District—Anna S. Coffey, assistant, Nov. 12, 1906, one day.
Longfellow District—Lydia W. Jones, assistant, from Nov. 1 until Nov. 30, 1906.
Mary Hemenway District—Emily F. Small, assistant, Nov. 8, 1906, one day.
Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Agnes T. Kelly, assistant, Oct. 19, 1906, one-half day.
Phillips District—Martha A. Knowles, assistant, Nov. 12, 1906, one-half day.
Thomas N. Hart District—Alice M. Desmond, assistant, Oct. 4, 1906, one day; Jennie F. McKissick, assistant, Oct. 9, 1906, one-half day.
William E. Russell District—Katharine T. A. Hogan, assistant, Oct. 24, 1906, one day; Annie R. Mohan, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906, one-half day; Oct. 17, 1906, one day.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of fifteen minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers, he having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.
Approved.

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ADDITIONAL SUB-MASTER, ELIOT DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 9, 1906, stating that the proper administration of the Eliot District requires the employment of an additional sub-master, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the employment of an extra sub-master in the Eliot District is hereby authorized for the school year 1906-07.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the rules were suspended.
The order passed.

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ADDITIONAL TEACHER, WARREN DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 12, 1906, stating that owing to the conditions in the Warren District it seems desirable to allow a teacher in excess of the number authorized by the regulations, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the employment of an assistant in excess of the number authorized by the regulations is hereby authorized in the Warren District for the school year 1906-07.
Placed on file.
On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the rules were suspended.
The order passed.

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USE OF ROOM, QUINCY EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 8, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Nov. 5, relative to a petition from members of the Education Committee of the Twentieth Century Club for the use of a room in the Quincy Evening School, stating that the regulations of the School Committee provide that no person shall serve in the public schools unless regularly appointed, and holding a proper certificate, and that the administrative reasons for the adoption of this rule are so strong that the Board of Superintendents does not advise a departure therefrom in this specific instance.
Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny the aforesaid report was adopted.

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS' CERTIFICATES, DAY HIGH SCHOOLS, MAY BE GRANTED NORMAL GRADUATES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 8, 1906, recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the Board of Superintendents be authorized to grant certificates, special assistants, day high schools, to such graduates of the Boston Normal School as shall be found qualified, and to transfer said candidates to the list of persons eligible for appointment as special assistants in the day high schools.
Placed on file, and the order passed.

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PLAN OF RATING CANDIDATES ON ELIGIBLE LISTS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of

Nov. 8, 1906, submitting the following in further explanation of the plan of rating candidates on the eligible lists appearing on page 17, School Document No. 9, 1906, Report of the Superintendent, viz:—

"For those granted certificates on examination consideration is given to the following elements in the proportion indicated:—

I. Personal characteristics, 10 per cent.
II. Professional preparation, 10 per cent.
III. Quality and character of teaching experience, 30 per cent.
IV. Scholarship, 50 per cent."

The method of rating Normal graduates is as follows: Two lists of Normal graduates have been made. The graduates of the class of 1906 have been placed in one list and the graduates of previous years have been placed in another list. This was done because of the difficulty of making fair comparison of the relative merits of girls just graduating from the Normal School and having a very limited amount of experience as teachers, and of those who have been graduated from the Normal School one or more years and who have had a considerable amount of experience in actual classroom work. Also it was believed undesirable to exclude from appointment the best of the graduates of the most recent classes, though naturally the larger proportion of appointments have been made from graduates of preceding years.

For the graduates of the class of 1906 the basis of rating was as follows: At the time of graduation they have two marks, one based upon their scholarship and one based upon their teaching ability as shown by work in observation and practice. Owing to the brief amount of teaching service it seemed advisable to the Board of Superintendents to give less weight to this than to scholarship, therefore for the class graduating in 1906, seven hundred of one thousand attainable points were based upon their scholarship records and three hundred points upon their teaching records.

For the graduates of previous years the method of rating was as follows: For the graduates of 1905 five hundred of the one thousand attainable points were based upon their scholarship records and five hundred points upon their teaching records.

For the graduates of 1904 four hundred of the one thousand attainable points were based upon their scholarship records and six hundred upon their teaching records.

For the graduates of 1903 and preceding years three hundred of the one thousand attainable points were based upon their scholarship records and seven hundred points upon their teaching records. This system of sliding percentages gives increasing emphasis each year to success in teaching. Those graduates finding themselves upon graduation in the lower portion of the class, may feel assured that successful and able work as teachers will, at each re-rating, raise them on the list in proportion to their respective merits and eventually secure for them permanent appointment.

Placed on file.

ADDITIONS TO ELIGIBLE LISTS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 12, 1906, submitting the following additions to the eligible lists:—

They include (1) Those entitled to rating on June 1, 1906, who applied therefor before Oct. 15, 1906, in accordance with a communication from the Board of Superintendents under date of Sept. 17, 1906, which is to be found on page 178 of the Minutes.

(2) Those who have passed the regularly advertised examinations held since June 1, 1906.

These names do not constitute a separate list, but each name should be inserted in the previously published list at the point indicated by the rating.

HIGH SCHOOL.

Rating.		Certificate Expires.
	English.	
866	Katherine S. Nash	June 1, 1912
792	Ellen Carver	June 1, 1912
792	Clara A. Hawthorne	June 1, 1908
764	Joseph A. Ewart	June 1, 1908
728	Jessie C. Paine	June 1, 1912
700	M. Grace Pinkham	June 1, 1908
699	Elizabeth G. Hutchison	June 1, 1912
	Ancient Languages.	
810	Boyd Bartlett	June 1, 1908
785	W. Hector S. Kollmyer	June 1, 1908
770	Elizabeth H. Norman	June 1, 1908
760	Cyril N. King	June 1, 1908
	German.	
852	Joseph L. Caverly	June 1, 1912
	History.	
818	Mary B. Lippincott	June 1, 1908
	Commercial Branches.	
903	*Hugh G. Greene	June 1, 1908
828	**Rollin H. Fisher	June 1, 1908
815	**Georgiana V. Wait	June 1, 1908
750	**Christina M. McCarthy	June 1, 1908
693	**Mary R. Bond	June 1, 1908
650	Frank M. McCutcheon	June 1, 1908

*Holds Special Certificate, Bookkeeping, Commercial Geography, Commercial Law, Phonography, Typewriting, and Penmanship.

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	Mathematics.	
927	Elizabeth Greenman	June 1, 1908
785	Kate F. Hobart	June 1, 1912
	Physics.	
851	Evans Webster	June 1, 1908
792	Edith H. Wood	June 1, 1912
	Botany—Zoology.	
802	Alice E. Dacy	June 1, 1912
787	Hattie L. Gates	June 1, 1912
738	Mary H. Shed	June 1, 1908
718	Grace O. Peterson	June 1, 1912
680	Isabella J. Ray	June 1, 1912
	Drawing.	
898	*Helen E. Cleaves	April 27, 1908
716	Blanche L. Ormsby	June 1, 1912
714	*Beulah Strong	April 27, 1908
601	*Mary E. Herbert	April 27, 1908
595	*Lura M. Bent	June 1, 1908

*Holds Special Certificate, High School, Drawing.

	Physical Training.	
950	*Bessie L. Barnes	June 1, 1908
915	*Carrie L. Worthen	April 28, 1907
890	*Miriam Harris	June 1, 1908
880	*Bertha P. Ames	June 1, 1908
851	*Corinna Barry	June 1, 1908
779	*Frances B. Walker	April 28, 1907
776	*Edna P. Carret	June 1, 1908
769	*Z. Zay Engle	April 28, 1907
760	*Celia M. Choate	April 28, 1907
744	*Edna B. Manship	April 28, 1907
725	*Lucy F. Hunter	June 1, 1908
722	*Theresa E. Leen	June 1, 1908
720	*Alice L. McManus	June 1, 1908
719	*Julia A. Murphy	June 1, 1908
650	*Christina J. Carret	June 1, 1908

*Holds Special Certificate, High School, Physical Training.

	Psychology.	
868	James C. Bell	June 1, 1908
	Special Assistants, Day High Schools.	
849	*Cora W. Taylor	Oct. 6, 1912
823	Mabel E. Woodworth	June 1, 1908
815	**Georgiana V. Wait	June 1, 1908
792	Clara A. Hawthorne	June 1, 1908
788	*Annie F. Brown	Oct. 6, 1912
750	**Christina M. McCarthy	June 1, 1908

*Holds Special Certificate, Sp. Assts. Day High School.

**Rated by request, from High School Commercial Branches list.

Grammar School, Class B.

927— Elizabeth Greenman.....June 1, 1908
785—*W. Hector S. Kollmyer....June 1, 1908
764—*Joseph A. Ewart.....June 1, 1908
757— Hattie L. Hiller.....June 1, 1908
744— Emily M. Desmond.....June 1, 1908
741— S. Elizabeth Hallowell.....June 1, 1908
740— M. Estella Sprague.....June 1, 1908
731— Annie L. McGrory.....June 1, 1908
729— Lena B. Winter.....June 1, 1908
726— Marianna Nicholson .....June 1, 1908
726— Katherine M. Sullivan.....June 1, 1908
723— Bertha A. Pettee.....June 1, 1908
709— Arthur Williams .....June 1, 1908
704— Lillie J. Davis.....June 1, 1908
701— Mary A. Connelly.....June 1, 1908
691— Catherine C. Fogarty.....June 1, 1908
682—*Michael J. Shannon.....June 1, 1908
656— Adalena H. Dudley.....June 1, 1908
638— Azniv Beshgeturian.....June 1, 1908
637— Rose A. Conry.....June 1, 1908
625— Helen M. Cleveland.....June 1, 1908

*Holds Certificate, Grammar School, Class A.

Kindergarten.

580—Alice M. Dicker.....Jan. 25, 1908

Cookery.

774—Mary M. Murphy.....June 1, 1908

Woodworking.

854—Helen M. Ekstrom.....June 1, 1908

Sewing.

673—Mary E. Jones.....June 1, 1908
662—Helena M. Flynn.....June 1, 1908

Normal School, G. B.
(Prior to 1906.)

906—Anna G. Molloy.....June 1, 1912
905—Gertrude F. Mendel.....June 1, 1912
850—Sarah E. McMahon.....June 1, 1912
835—Catherine S. Parker.....June 1, 1912
830—Nellie G. McElwain.....June 1, 1912
791—Elizabeth Wood .....June 1, 1912
774—Bridget T. Boyle.....June 1, 1912
760—Gertrude M. Wilder.....June 1, 1912
737—Susan T. Rooney.....June 1, 1912
708—Bessie C. MacBrine.....June 1, 1912
698—Julia E. Fuller.....June 1, 1912
690—Ellen G. Phillimore.....June 1, 1912
686—Eva M. Cotton.....June 1, 1912
685—Margaret F. Ruddick.....June 1, 1912
684—C. Florence Smith.....June 1, 1912
675—Alice H. Long.....June 1, 1912
665—Mary G. Goldsbury.....June 1, 1912
662—Margaret A. M. Collins.....June 1, 1912
661—Fanny Frizzell .....June 1, 1912
650—Alice M. Raymond.....June 1, 1912
538—Josephine Fokes .....June 1, 1912

Normal School, Kindergarten and Primary.

740—Belle G. Burroughs.....June 1, 1912
660—Emma F. Temple.....June 1, 1912

Assistants in Music.

800—Alice M. Raymond.....June 1, 1908
770—Charles H. D. Murphy.....June 1, 1908
727—Katharine L. Moore.....June 1, 1908
712—S. Gertrude Tighe.....June 1, 1908
660—Helen A. O'Gorman.....June 1, 1908
615—Susan E. Sowdon.....June 1, 1908

Placed on file.

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PROPOSED ADOPTION OF BUT ONE WRITING BOOK.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 12, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Nov. 5, relative to the expediency of adopting but one writing book for use in the schools, reporting that it is of the opinion that the differences existing among the various copy books now on the authorized list are not sufficient to warrant a restriction of purchases to one book.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid over to the next meeting.

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SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Nov. 12, 1906, pursuant to the action taken by the Board at its meeting of Oct. 29, reporting that the following-named persons have been certified by the Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy in the position of substitute janitor: Justin H. McCarthy, John Walsh, Michael Glasheen.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 12, 1906, stating that he had interviewed the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for the position of substitute janitor; that Justin H. McCarthy, who heads the list, does not desire the appointment, and, in his opinion, either John Walsh or Michael Glasheen, standing respectively second and third on the list, would prove satisfactory.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the Board approved the appointment of John Walsh as substitute janitor, at a salary of $600 per annum, to date from Nov. 19, 1906.

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JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 6, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, caused by the illness of the regular janitor, he had appointed William R. Clark for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 5, 1906.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 7, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, caused by the transfer of the regular janitor, he had appointed William A. Kinsley for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 6, 1906.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 9, 1906, recommending that the Civil Service Commission be requested to certify the names of eligible candidates to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, there being no janitors already in the service desirous of transfer to said position.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the Secretary was instructed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly; and also to inform the Commission that the policy of this Board is against the appointment of minors as school janitors.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM A. KINSLEY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 7, 1906, recommending that there be paid to William A. Kinsley the sum of $6.83 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, from Nov. 1 to 5, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William A. Kinsley the sum of six and 83-100 dollars ($6.83) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Old Horace Mann School-house, from Nov. 1 to 5, 1906, inclusive.

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PAYMENT TO NELLIE MAHONEY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 6, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Nellie Mahoney the sum of $5.47 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Nov. 1 to 4, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Nellie Mahoney the sum of five and 47-100 dollars ($5.47) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Nov. 1 to 4, 1906, inclusive.

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WASHING OF KINDERGARTEN FLOORS.

A petition was received from Anna M. Whitney, as president of the Roxburghe Club, Eliza J. Bates and Alice M. Hawes, representing the Brighthelmstone Club, and one hundred ninety others, parents and friends of the kindergartens, that the school janitors be required to wash the floors of rooms occupied by kindergartens as often as once each week, and setting forth the reasons why it is of great importance that all school room floors, especially those of kindergartens, should be clean and wholesome.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for consideration and report, and on motion of Mr Ellis, the matter was also referred to the Director of Kindergartens for the same purpose.

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SUSPENSION OF DAY SCHOOL SESSIONS, DEC. 24, 1906.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the rules were suspended, and the following order passed:—

ORDERED, That the sessions of the public day schools be suspended on Monday, Dec. 24, 1906.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 315, paragraph 2. Insert after the words "to study and travel" the words:—or for rest,—so that the sixth sentence in said paragraph shall read as follows: To study and travel, or for rest.

Sect. 317, paragraph 2. Insert after the word "absence" in the first line the words: —except for rest,—so that the first sentence of said paragraph shall read as follows: A teacher receiving such leave of absence, except for rest, must have completed seven years of service, and if for rest twenty years of service, in the public schools of Boston.

Laid over to the next meeting.

GIFT OF PORTRAIT TO BRIMMER SCHOOL.

The Chairman stated that he had been notified that the Brimmer family would like to present to the Brimmer School an oil portrait of Martin Brimmer, Mayor of Boston during 1843 and 1844, in whose honor the school was named, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the portrait be accepted, and that the thanks of this Board be tendered to the Brimmer family for this appropriate gift to the school.

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SCHOOL HYGIENE AND MEDICAL INSPECTION OF PUPILS.

The Board proceeded to take under consideration the question of school hygiene and medical inspection of pupils, and especially chapter 502 of the Acts of 1906, An Act relative to the Appointment of School Physicians, and proceeded to give a hearing on the subject.

Mr. George H. Martin, Secretary of the State Board of Education, was the first speaker, and was followed by Dr. Samuel H. Durgin, Chairman of the Board of Health. Others who addressed the Board on the subject were Dr. George S. C. Badger, Dr. James S. Stone, Dr. Horace E. Marion, Dr. Richard C. Cabot, Dr. Charles P. Putnam, Chairman of the Trustees for Children, Mr. Joseph Lee, Miss Elizabeth P. Cordner and Miss Martha H. Stark of the Instructive District Nursing Association, Mr. Edward F. McSweeney, Dr. James B. Fitzgerald, Director of Physical Training, Mr. Leo W. Pickert, Vice President of the Mt. Sinai Hospital, and Principals Joshua M. Dill, Frederic H. Ripley, Orlendo W. Dimick, Michael E. Fitzgerald and Lincoln Owen.

The hearing was then declared closed.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 10 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

November 19, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Thomas J. Kenny.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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APPOINTMENTS ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving sundry appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The aforesaid appointments, except that of Josephine Morris as Supervisor of Household Science and Arts, on which action was deferred, were approved.

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Subsequently, the appointment of Josephine Morris as Supervisor of Household Science and Arts, from Dec. 1, 1906, was also approved.

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PROPOSED ADOPTION OF BUT ONE WRITING BOOK.

The Chairman called the attention of the Board to the communication received from the Board of Superintendents relating to the adoption of but one writing book for use in the schools, laid over at the last meeting. (See p. 228.)

The communication was again laid over to the next meeting.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order, laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 315, paragraph 2. Insert after the words "to study and travel" the words:—or for rest—so that the sixth sentence in said paragraph shall read as follows: To study and travel, or for rest.

Sect. 317, paragraph 2. Insert after the word "absence" in the first line the words: —except for rest,—so that the first sentence of said paragraph shall read as follows: A teacher receiving such leave of absence, except for rest, must have completed seven years of service, and if for rest twenty years of service, in the public schools of Boston.

Passed.

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RESIGNATION.

The following resignation reported by the Superintendent, was presented:—

Norcross District—Mary J. Leary, assistant, Dec. 1, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Dillaway District—Teresa C. Hoye, from Nov. 19, 1906.

Dudley District—Alice G. Ryan, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Dwight District—Miriam J. Bronski, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Eliot District—Mary Josephine O'Neil, from Nov. 21, 1906.

Martin District—Mary R. Quinn, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Approved.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Dudley District—Maurice J. O'Brien, submaster, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Hugh O'Brien District—Thomas E. Kelley, assistant, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

William E. Russell District—Sarah E. McMahan, assistant, from Nov. 27, 1906.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Roxbury High School—Joseph L. Powers, junior-master.

Adams District—Adiline H. Cook, first assistant, Grammar School. May H. Sears, assistant.

Bennett District—Owen D. Evans, submaster.

Chapman District—Beatrice E. Strong, assistant.

Dearborn District—Katharine O'Brien, first assistant in charge. Katherine T. O'Sullivan, assistant.

Edward Everett District—Alice E. Leavens, assistant, Kindergarten.

Henry L. Pierce District—Catharine J. Norton, assistant.

Lyman District—Lucy M. Goodwin, first assistant in charge; Herbert F. Sylvester, assistant; Hattie Browne, first assistant, Kindergarten; Maude Sprague, assistant, Kindergarten.

Mary Hemenway District—Clara A. Perkins, assistant, Kindergarten.

Phillips Brooks District—Dora E. McCarty, assistant.

Thomas Gardner District—Julia B. Harvell, assistant.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Charlestown High School — Assistant, Eleanor Rogan, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Bowdoin School—Assistant, Jennie A. Tyrrell, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Approved.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Caroline S. Atherton, Mary L. Baker.

Approved.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Gilbert Stuart District—(Stoughton Kindergarten) Vera Hawes, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Roger Wolcott District—(Thetford-street Kindergarten) Ruth Bumstead, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—(Auburn Kindergarten) Martha Liddell, from Oct. 4, 1906.

Placed on file.

ACTING PRINCIPAL, DILLAWAY DISTRICT.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Elizabeth M. Blackburn, a first assistant, grammar school, in the Dillaway District, to take charge of the schools of that district, while there was a vacancy in its mastership, from Sept. 12 to Oct. 1, 1906, on which latter date the vacancy was filled.

Placed on file.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Bennett District—Edith Rose, assistant, from Oct. 29, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

Bowdoin District—Catherine M. Dolan, assistant, from Nov. 12 until Dec. 24, 1906.

Bunker Hill District—Mary D. Richardson, assistant, from Nov. 21, 1906, until Jan. 21, 1907.

Chapman District—Gertrude W. Merrill, assistant, Oct. 1, 1906, one-half day.

Dearborn District—Elizabeth W. O'Connell, assistant, Nov. 15, 1906, one day.

Eliot District—Mary W. Bonython, assistant, Nov. 13, 1906, one-half day.

Hancock District—Teresa L. Carlin, assistant, from Nov. 6, 1906, until Jan. 2, 1907.

Hyde District—Silas C. Stone, master, Nov. 13, 1906, one-half day.

Lyman District.—Gazelle Eaton, assistant, Nov. 13, 1906, one day.

Mary Hemenway District—Anna E. Leahy, assistant, Nov. 13, 1906, one-half day.

Washington District.—Mary E. Gately, assistant, Nov. 14, 1906, one day. Anna T. Nolan, assistant, Nov. 13, 1906, one-half day.

Winthrop District—Helen DeS. Regan, assistant, Nov. 13, 1906, one day.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified, on half-pay, and her resignation was accepted to take effect Dec. 21, 1907:

Phillips Brooks District.—Isabel Thacher, assistant, from Dec. 21, 1906, until Dec. 21, 1907.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of thirteen minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers, he having violated the conditions on which said license was granted him.

Approved.

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ADDITIONAL UNGRADED CLASS, ADAMS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 19, 1906, recommending the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That an additional ungraded class be allowed in the Adams District for the school year 1906-07, making three ungraded classes in all.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

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SUSPENSION OF EVENING SCHOOL SESSIONS NOV. 30, 1906.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 19, 1906, stating that he is of the opinion that the custom of previous years of closing the evening schools on the Friday following Thanksgiving day should be continued, and recommending the passage of the following order:

ORDERED, That the sessions of the evening high and elementary schools be suspended on Friday, Nov. 30, 1906.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

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ACOUSTICON, HORACE MANN SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 19, 1906, stating that it seems desirable to him that experimental use of the acousticon be authorized in the Horace Mann School, and recommending the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the experimental use of the acousticon be authorized in the Horace Mann School, during the present school year, without expense to the city.

Placed on file, and the order passed.

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AMENDMENTS TO ELIGIBLE LIST.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 16, 1906, stating that it has amended School Document No. 7, 1906, List of Candidates Eligible for Appointment as Teachers, as follows:—

Page 20, Grammar School, Class B (753) Frances L. Nickerson, name removed from list, this candidate having been appointed to a permanent position Mar. 12, 1906, and should not, therefore, have been included in the eligible lists prepared in June.

Page 18, Normal, Grammar School, Class B (594) Amy D. (Ferguson) Briggs, name removed by request.

Page 18 Normal, Kindergarten and Primary (697) Rena Lewis, rated by request, also (with same rating) on the Normal, Grammar School, Class B list.

Page 26, Woodworking (847) Cornelia C. Foster, name removed by request.

Page 22, Grammar School, Class B (704) Katherine E. Neary, date of expiration of certificate should be June 1, 1908.

Placed on file.

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REFERENCE BOOKS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 16, 1906, recommending the passage of the following orders:—

1. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books, as specified:—

Elementary Sloyd and Whittling, by Gustaf Larsson, published by Silver, Burdett & Co. Elementary Schools (one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject).

A Thesaurus Dictionary of the English Language, by Francis A. March, published by the Historical Publishing Co. Normal, High and Latin Schools (one copy to be furnished each school).

Copper Work, A Text-Book for Teachers and Students in the Manual Arts, by Augustus F. Rose, published by The Davis Press. Normal and High Schools (one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject).

2. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books, as specified:—

The Wide Awake First Reader, by Clara Murray, published by Little, Brown & Company, Grades I and II.

Robert Louis Stevenson Reader, by Catherine T. Bryce and F. E. Spaulding, published by Charles Scribner's Sons. Grades II and III.

How We are Sheltered, by James F. Chamberlain, published by The Macmillan Co. Grades IV and V.

Home Geography for Primary Grades, by Harold W. Fairbanks, published by the Educational Publishing Co. Grades IV and V.

In Eastern Wonderlands, by Charlotte C. Gibson, published by Little, Brown & Co. Grades VI and VII.

The Robin Reader, A First Reader, by Minnie T. Varney, published by Charles Scribner's Sons. Grades I and II.

Builders of Our Country, by Gertrude Van Duyn Southworth, Book I, published by D. Appleton & Co. Grades VI and VII.

The communication was placed on file, the reading of the orders omitted, and they were laid over to the next meeting.

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JANITORSHIP, COMMON-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, caused by the transfer of the regular janitor, he had reappointed William A. Kinsley for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 16, 1906.

Approved.

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A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Nov. 19, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Common-street School-house, the Civil Service Commission had certified Charles Drayton, a veteran within the meaning of section 20 of chapter 19 of the Revised Laws, who has passed the examination for the position of janitor, and is therefore entitled to certification and appointment in preference to all other applicants.

Placed on file, and subsequently the appointment of Charles Drayton as janitor of the Common-street School-house, to date from Nov. 21, 1906, was approved.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM A. KINSLEY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 16, 1906, recommending that there be paid to William A. Kinsley the sum of $13.33 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Common-street School-house, from Nov. 6 to 15, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William A. Kinsley the sum of thirteen and 33-100 dollars ($13.33) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Common-street School-house, from Nov. 6 to 15, 1906, inclusive.

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JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 15, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, caused by the illness of the regular janitor, he had reappointed William R. Clark, for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 15, 1906.

Approved.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM R. CLARK.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 15, 1906, recommending that there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of $13.67 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Nov. 5 to 14, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of thirteen and 67-100 dollars ($13.67) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Nov. 5 to 14, 1906, inclusive.

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WASHING OF KINDERGARTEN FLOORS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 19, 1906, pursuant to the action taken by the Board at its meeting of Nov. 12, relative to the petition from Anna M. Whitney, as president of the Roxburghe Club, Eliza J. Bates and Alice M. Hawes, representing the Brighthelmstone club and others, that the kindergarten floors be washed as often as once a week, stating that he is of the opinion that the nature of the wood used in most of the schoolhouse floors is such that washing them once a week would cause them to sliver and split, thereby making them dangerous for the children to play on. It would also cause them to give forth disagreeable odors by moistening the dirt between the cracks which exist in many of the floors; also that he believes a decided improvement can be made in the condition of such floors, so as to meet all of the objections of the petitioners, if they were treated and finished with a durable floor varnish which will make a smooth, polished surface that can be swept daily with sawdust moistened with proper disinfectants, and mopped occasionally with a damp mop to remove any accumulations which may be on them.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, laid on the table.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 438, paragraph 1. Insert the following immediately after the word "city" in the sixth line of said paragraph:—(4) for not more than twenty-four hours for reasons approved by the chief truant officer.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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TRANSFER OF AN APPROPRIATION.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the sum of fifty-seven hundred dollars ($5700) is hereby transferred from the amount appropriated under the head of "Fuel & Light" School Committee, to the item "Rents of Hired School Accommodations" Schoolhouse Department.

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SALARIES OF MATRONS, EVENING HIGH SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salaries of the matrons of the Central, Charlestown and South Boston Evening High Schools be respectively established at the rate of one and 50-100 dollars ($1.50) for each evening of actual service for the term 1906—07, to date from Oct. 31, Nov. 13, and Oct. 17, 1906, respectively.

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PUPIL, LONGWOOD DISTRICT TO ATTEND BROOKLINE SCHOOL.

A communication was received from Myron F. Hill, residing at 2 Plymouth street, Longwood, under date of Nov. 10, 1906, requesting that his son be permitted to attend the Brookline Schools at the expense of the city.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent with full powers.

APPLICATION FOR PROMOTION OF MINA GUYTON.

A communication was received from Mina Guyton, assistant, Kindergarten in the Comins District, under date of Nov. 2, 1906, applying for promotion to the position of first assistant with corresponding increase of salary.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Superintendent for investigation and report.

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ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, BRIGHTON.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide additional elementary school accommodations in that part of Brighton known as Oak square and Faneuil by the erection of a new building of adequate size, and this Board hereby designates the Bennett School District as the district within which such accommodations are to be provided; and recommends further that pending the erection of a permanent schoolhouse temporary accommodations be provided on such site as may be acquired under the terms of this order.

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ADDITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, THOMAS GARDNER DISTRICT.

Mr. Brock offered the following:—

ORDERED, That an additional kindergarten be established in the Thomas Gardner District to be located in the North Harvard-street School-house.

On motion of the same member, referred to the Superintendent for investigation and report.

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APPRAISAL OF WINTHROP SCHOOL AND MASON STREET ESTATES.

Mr. Brock moved that Russell G. Fessenden be appointed by this Board as one of three experts to be appointed respectively by the Mayor, the Schoolhouse Commission and the School Committee, to appraise the value of the Winthrop School Estate and the estate on Mason street occupied by this Board for sundry purposes.

The motion passed.

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EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board went into executive session.

On motion of the same member, the doors were opened.

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AMENDMENT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent recommended the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the rules and regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 112 of the rules. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following: He may suspend the school sessions as provided in the regulations. (See Section 204).

Section 204, paragraph 3 of the regulations. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

3. The superintendent may on account of stormy weather suspend the sessions of all day schools for the entire day by causing the proper signal to be given at 7:45 o'clock A.M The principal of each elementary school district may on account of stormy weather suspend the afternoon session of elementary schools in his district by giving notice to the pupils before dismissal at 12 o'clock noon. The principal shall report to the superintendent each case of suspension of the sessions under this regulation.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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OPENING OF LOUISE PARK, ROXBURY, AS PUBLIC HIGHWAY.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the attention of the Board of Street Commissioners be called to the desirability of opening Louise Park, Roxbury, as a public highway, in order to provide two means of access to the Sarah J. Baker School-house, and that said Board be requested to take such action as may be necessary to accomplish this end.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the Board adjourned at 9:51 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

November 26, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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SUSPENSION OF JANITORS OR ENGINEERS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the regular order of business was suspended, and a communication from a committee of the Janitors' Association, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, requesting a hearing with reference to section 87 of the rules was received.

Walter H. Bickford, chairman of said committee, appeared and was heard with reference to this rule which provides that the Schoolhouse Custodian may suspend, for the good of the service, any janitor or engineer for a period not exceeding ten days, but shall immediately report such action to the Board, in writing, with full particulars; the recommendation of the committee being that a provision be inserted in this rule providing that the written consent of the principal of the school shall be required in case of such suspension.

Laid over for further consideration.

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APPOINTMENT ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointment of a teacher on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointment was approved.

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REFERENCE AND SUPPLEMENTARY BOOKS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following orders, laid over at the last meeting.

1. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as reference books, as specified:—

Elementary Sloyd and Whittling, by Gustaf Larsson, published by Silver, Burdett & Co. Elementary Schools (one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject).

A Thesaurus Dictionary of the English Language, by Francis A. March, published by the Historical Publishing Co. Normal, High and Latin Schools (one copy to be furnished each school).

Copper Work, A Text-Book for Teachers and Students in the Manual Arts, by Augustus F. Rose, published by The Davis Press. Normal and High Schools (one copy to be furnished each teacher of the subject).

2. ORDERED, That the following-named books be authorized for use as supplementary books, as specified:—

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Robert Louis Stevenson Reader, by Catherine T. Bryce and F. E. Spaulding, published by Charles Scribner's Sons. Grades II and III.

How We are Sheltered, by James F. Chamberlain, published by The Macmillan Co. Grades IV and V.

Home Geography for Primary Grades, by Harold W. Fairbanks, published by the Educational Publishing Co. Grades IV and V.

In Eastern Wonderlands, by Charlotte C. Gibson, published by Little, Brown & Co. Grades VI and VII.

The Robin Reader, A First Reader, by Minnie T. Varney, published by Charles Scribner's Sons. Grades I and II.

Builders of Our Country, by Gertrude Van Duyn Southworth, Book I, published by D. Appleton & Co. Grades VI and VII.

Passed unanimously.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order, laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Sect. 438, paragraph 1. Insert the following immediately after the word "city" in the sixth line of said paragraph:—(4) for not more than twenty-four hours for reasons approved by the chief truant officer.

Passed.

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AMENDMENT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the order recommended by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting, amending sections 112 of the rules and 204 of the regulations relating to the suspension of school sessions on account of stormy weather. (See p. 234.)

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid over to the next meeting.

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ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, BRIGHTON.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Nov. 23, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Nov. 19, relative to providing additional elementary school accommodations in the Bennett District, stating that it has voted to take land adjoining the present primary school-house lot on Hobart street, with the intention of erecting additional elementary accommodations thereon, and has also advertised for land in that portion of said district bounded by Washington street, Mountfern avenue, Dunboy street, Bigelow street, Brooks street, Hobart street, Allston terrace, Faneuil street and Oakland street, the amount of land asked for being in the neighborhood of forty thousand square feet.

Placed on file.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations reported by the Superintendent were presented:—

Public Latin School—Herbert H. Yeames, instructor, Dec. 1, 1906.

Brimmer District—Margaret L. Eaton, assistant, Nov. 20, 1906.

Christopher Gibson District—Rose E. A. Redding, assistant, Nov. 1, 1906.
Lyman District—Herbert F. Sylvester, assistant, Nov. 20, 1906.
Supervisor of Household Science and Arts—Elizabeth P. Palmer, Oct. 16, 1906.
Schools of Cookery—Josephine Morris, teacher, Dec. 1, 1906.
Accepted.

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The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Charles Sumner District—Alice M. Flanagan, from Nov. 22, 1906.
Eliot District—Jennie A. Tyrrell, from Nov. 28, 1906.
Everett District—Sarah E. L'Orage, from Nov. 21, 1906.
Franklin District—Mary L. Moran, from Nov. 27, 1906.
Mary Hemenway District—Nina M. Gregg, Kindergarten, from Nov. 27, 1906.
Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Quincy District—Anna M. Meyer, assistant, from Nov. 1, 1906.
Schools of Cookery—Mary E. Kinsley, teacher, from Oct. 9, 1906.
Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Mary M. McLaughlin, assistant, from Dec. 8, 1906.
Quincy District—Alvin P. Wagg, submaster, from Dec. 3, 1906.
Washington District—Linwood Taft, assistant, from Dec. 3, 1906.
Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

South Boston High School—Francis J. Conlin, junior-master, from Dec. 4, 1906.
Schools of Cookery—Mary T. Galvin, teacher, from Dec. 4, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Adams District—Annie F. Keating, assistant.
Hugh O'Brien District—Clara Ransom, first assistant, Kindergarten.
Mather District—Martha A. Norton, assistant.
Winthrop District—Effie E. Beal, assistant.
Approved.

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TRANSFER.

Roxbury High School—Joseph L. Powers, junior-master, to the same position in the Public Latin School, from Dec. 1, 1906.
Placed on file.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Central High School—Assistants, Frederick E. Chapman, from Oct. 16, 1906; Joel Hatheway, from Oct. 23, 1906; Harry K. Good, from Nov. 6, 1906; Luther F. Elliott, from Nov. 15, 1906.
Bowdoin School—Assistant, Helena M. Doherty, from Nov. 27, 1906.
Lincoln School—Assistant, Esther L. McNellis, from Nov. 20, 1906.
Quincy School—Assistants, Elizabeth M. Quigley, from Oct. 15, 1906; Horace B. Dean, from Oct. 18, 1906; Lavina M. Grimes, Helena McGinnis, from Oct. 25, 1906.
Wells School—Interpreters, Martha Mikels, from Oct. 15, 1906; Herman Terkel, from Oct. 16, 1906.
Approved.

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ATTENDANT IN A KINDERGARTEN.

Hancock District—(North End Union Kindergarten) Mary Strollo, from Nov. 15, 1906.
Placed on file.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:
Bunker Hill District—Anna P. Hannon, assistant, from Nov. 19, 1906, until Jan. 11, 1907.
Frothingham District—Martha Yeaton, assistant, from Nov. 20 until 22, 1906, inclusive, three days.
Hyde District—Helen E. Cleaves, assistant, Nov. 23, 1906, one day.
Jefferson District—Mary J. Stark, assistant, Nov. 28, 1906, one-half day.
Longfellow District—L. Idalia Provan, assistant, from Nov. 22, 1906, until Mar. 22, 1907.
Oliver Hazard Perry District—K. Gertrude Marden, Nov. 23, 1906, one-half day.
Prescott District—Alice Simpson, assistant, Nov. 16, 1906, one-half day. Lizzie Simpson, assistant, Nov. 16, 1906, one-half day.
Shurtleff District—M. Lillian Dunbar, teacher of sewing, Nov. 12, 1906, one day.

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DISCIPLINARY CLASS.

The Superintendent reported that he had assigned Arvilla T. Harvey, now an assistant in the Thomas Gardner District, to the disciplinary class in the Lewis District, from Dec. 1, 1906.
Placed on file.

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ASSIGNMENT OF TEACHERS.

The Superintendent reported that he had made the following assignments of teachers who were re-elected without assignment to any particular school at the meeting of the Board held on June 25, 1906:—
Bennett District—Jennie M. Chandler, assistant.
Blackinton District—Kate E. McMullin, assistant.
Chapman District—Adelaide M. Clarke and Grace G. Daly, assistants, kindergarten.
Charles Sumner District—Fannie P. Walker, assistant, kindergarten.
Dudley District—Mary L. Logan, assistant.
Eliot District—Josephine A. Coulahan, assistant.
Lewis District—Mabel G. Berry, first assistant, kindergarten.
Lyman District—Bernice A. Hill, assistant, kindergarten.
Martin District—Alice B. Poor, assistant.
Mather District—Eleanor G. Hutchinson, first assistant, kindergarten.
Norcross District—Bessie E. Kennedy, assistant.
Oliver Hazard Perry District—Anna M. Cogan, assistant.
Roger Wolcott District—Anna F. Maybury, assistant.

Warren District—Mary M. Crane, assistant, under an order passed by the School Committee Nov. 12, 1906.
Washington Allston District—Edith J. Jones, assistant.
Winthrop District—Sara C. Bullard, first assistant, kindergarten.
Placed on file.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of eight minors to be licensed to sell newspapers, and the name of one minor to be licensed to sell flowers.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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DANCING PARTIES, LOCAL PRIZE DRILLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, stating that at a meeting of the Head-Masters' Association, held on Nov. 20, it was voted unanimously to recommend to the School Committee that dancing parties in connection with local prize drills be discontinued.
On motion of Mr. Brock, laid on the table, and the Secretary directed to request the Secretary of the Head-Masters' Association to appear before the Board at its next meeting with reference to the foregoing.

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ADDITIONAL KINDERGARTEN, THOMAS GARDNER DISTRICT.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, on the order referred to him at the meeting of Nov. 19, that an additional kindergarten be established in the Thomas Gardner District, to be located in the North Harvard-street School-house, recommending the passage of said order.
Placed on file, and the order passed.

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FIRST ASSISTANT, PHILLIPS-STREET KINDERGARTEN.

A report was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, on the communication referred to him at the meeting of Nov. 19, relative to the appointment of a first assistant for the kindergarten in the Phillips-street School, Comins District, stating that it is not desirable to appoint a first assistant in said kindergarten.
Placed on file.

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KINDERGARTEN TEACHERS, TEMPORARY WORK IN NORMAL SCHOOL.

The Superintendent offered the following:—
ORDERED, That the Superintendent is hereby authorized to assign kindergarten teachers now in the service to temporary work in the Normal School.
The rules were suspended, and the order passed.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Superintendent offered the following:—
ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—
Section 291, paragraph 9, insert the following immediately after the fifth line on page 50: —In the East Boston High School one special instructor in drawing and manual training may be appointed, instead of an assistant to which the school is entitled under the regulations.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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TRAINED NURSE, WASHINGTON DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, stating that he has carefully considered a communication from the secretary of the Mt. Sinai Hospital Association, referred to him at the meeting of the Board on Apr. 2, calling attention to its facilities for caring for children, and its disposition to extend its help where needed to pupils attending the Washington School, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That permission is hereby granted the Mount Sinai Hospital Society to place a trained nurse in the Washington District, for the purpose of supplementing the medical inspection of the schools by the Board of Health by personal effort among pupils and parents in matters of sanitation and hygiene. Said nurse is to be under the supervision and direction of this Board, and her employment is to be without expense to the city, and to terminate at the pleasure of the Board.
Placed on file, and the order passed.

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ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, EDWARD EVERETT DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, stating that he has carefully investigated the conditions in the Edward Everett District, and is convinced that there is urgent need of additional elementary school accommodations for pupils of the lower grades living in the vicinity of Savin Hill, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide additional elementary school accommodations for pupils of the lower grades, in the vicinity of Savin Hill, by the erection of a new building of adequate size; and this Board hereby designates the Edward Everett District as the district within which such accommodations are to be provided.

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In the same connection the following petition was received:—

Boston, November 20, 1906.

To the School Committee, Boston, Mass.
Gentlemen—The undersigned respectfully petition your honorable board to set apart and establish as a new grammar school district, approximately the territory hereinafter described, the same being now mostly in the Edward Everett District, but partly in the Russell District and partly in the Mather District, viz:—
The area bounded westerly by the middle of Pleasant St., southerly by the middle of Greenmount St., and Greenmount St. extended to Dorchester Bay, easterly by Dorchester Bay, and northerly by the middle of Howe St. and by the middle of Harbor View St. and Harbor View St. extended to Dorchester Bay.

Respectfully submitted,
William Hoag,
Linwood Lewis,
E. H. Washburn.

The aforesaid communication, order and petition were laid over to the second meeting following, and the Secretary directed to notify the petitioners that they will be granted a hearing at said meeting.

DISCIPLINARY CLASS, LEWIS DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, stating that he has, under the action of the School Committee at its meetings held on June 4 and June 19, 1906, organized a disciplinary class for boys in the Lewis District, to date from Dec. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Nov. 19, 1906, stating that he has had a conference with the masters, the Schoolhouse Custodian and a special committee appointed by the Janitors' Association relative to amendments to the rules and regulations governing the use of school buildings, and recommending the passage of the following orders:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 223, paragraph 2. Strike out the paragraph and insert in place thereof the following:—

2. All school buildings shall be open to teachers for school purposes from 8 A.M. until one hour after the close of the afternoon session; and on not to exceed two Saturdays in each term from 9 A.M. to 12 o'clock noon, on the request of the assistant superintendent in charge. On sweeping nights class rooms shall be vacated in accordance with a schedule approved by the principal; the janitor to be permitted to start sweeping the first room not later than five minutes after the close of school. Notice of the time at which any room must be vacated shall be given by the janitor by placing a card in said room not later than 2 o'clock P.M. Five minutes before the janitor locks the buildings and gates at the close of the day's session, he shall sound an alarm on all gongs in the school buildings, and the school-house shall be vacated immediately by all persons.

ORDERED, That the rules for janitors, and the regulations governing the use of school buildings be amended as follows:—

Rule 2 for janitors. Add to rule 2 the following:—"They shall sound an alarm on all gongs in school buildings five minutes before locking the buildings and gates at the close of the school session."

Rule 9 for janitors. Strike out the rule and insert in place thereof the following:—

9. School buildings shall not be occupied on Saturdays or holidays, nor used for other purposes than the work of the schools, except as otherwise provided in the regulations governing the use of school buildings or in the general regulations of the Board.

Rule 10 for janitors. Strike out the rule and insert in place thereof the following:—

10. On sweeping nights class rooms shall be vacated in accordance with a schedule approved by the principal; the janitor to be permitted to start sweeping the first room not later than five minutes after the close of school. Notice of the time at which each room must be vacated shall be given by the janitor by placing a card in said room not later than 2 o'clock P. M.

Section 13 of the regulations governing the use of school buildings. Strike out the section and insert in place thereof the following:—

Section 13. 1. There shall be three keys to each school building, one of which shall be held by the principal, one by a teacher designated by the principal, and the third by the janitor. If, in the opinion of the Schoolhouse Custodian, it is necessary for the proper janitor service in any building, he may authorize the issue of an additional key to the janitor of such building, which may be held by such assistant to the janitor as the Schoolhouse Custodian may approve, and for the proper use of which the janitor shall be responsible. In buildings properly equipped therefor, teachers may provide themselves with additional keys, usable only during the noon intermission.

2. All keys of school buildings, except those usable only during the noon intermission, shall be the property of the city, and no such key shall be permitted to leave the possession of the person entitled to the same, nor shall the holder thereof allow a duplicate to be made of any such key.

3. No person, unless by authority of the Board or an officer of the Board, or of the Schoolhouse Department, shall be permitted to enter or remain in a building outside of school hours in the absence of the principal, or a teacher designated by the principal, or the janitor, except as provided in section 223 of the general regulations of the Board.

Placed on file, the reading of the orders was omitted, and they were laid over to the next meeting.

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COMPARATIVE COST OF GAS AND ELECTRICITY, SEPTEMBER AND OCTOBER, 1905 AND 1906.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, submitting a comparative statement of the cost of gas and electricity in the public schools during the months of September and October of 1905 and 1906.

Placed on file.

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APPOINTMENTS OF JANITORS AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICERS.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 24, 1906, enclosing applications from, and recommending the appointment of John L. Galway and Hilary J. Johnson, janitors, as special police officers.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 24, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, caused by the illness of the regular janitor, he had reappointed William R. Clark for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 25, 1906.

Approved.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM R. CLARK.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, recommending that there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of $13.67 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house from Nov. 15 to 24, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of thirteen and 67-100 dollars ($13.67) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Nov. 15 to 24, 1906, inclusive.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM A. KINSLEY.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 24, 1906, recommending that there be paid

to William A. Kinsley the sum of $6.67 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Common-street School-house from Nov. 16 to 20, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William A. Kinsley the sum of six and 67-100 dollars ($6.67) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Common-street School-house, from Nov. 16 to 20, 1906, inclusive.

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RESIGNATION OF A JANITOR.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, enclosing the resignation of Otis D. Wilde as janitor of the Frederic A. Whitney School-house, to take effect Jan. 1, 1907.

Placed on file, and the resignation accepted.

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BILL OF SAMUEL McCLENNAN.

A communication was received from Samuel T. McClennan, janitor of the Nathaniel Hawthorne School-house, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, enclosing a bill, amounting to $96 for services rendered by him in keeping up steam in said building from July 26 until Sept. 12, 1906, inclusive; also a copy of a communication to the Schoolhouse Custodian in explanation of said bill.

On motion of Mr. Brock, referred to the Schoolhouse Custodian for investigation and report.

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TUBERCULOSIS EXHIBITIONS.

A communication was received from Alexander M. Wilson, Secretary of the Boston Association for the Relief and Control of Tuberculosis, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, stating that the first of a series of Tuberculosis Exhibitions which they purpose giving in different quarters of the city is now being held in the Armory, East Boston; that the masters of the East Boston schools have been very helpful in enlisting the interest of the children, and that they would be very glad to have members of the School Committee visit the exhibition.

Placed on file.

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GAS OR ELECTRIC LIGHT, AUSTIN SCHOOL.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide gas or electric light in the Austin School-house.

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THE PARENTS' AND TEACHERS' UNION.

A communication was received from the Parents' and Teachers' Union, Edith Merrill Kettelle, President, under date of Nov. 19, 1906, referring to a communication from that organization received at the meeting of Nov. 12, and requesting consideration of the measures proposed by said organization.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, placed on file.

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GIFT TO SCHOOLS OF SOUTH BOSTON.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny presented a communication from the Dorchester Heights Chapter D. R. of South Boston, Mrs. J. Carlton Nichols, Secretary, under date of Nov. 26, 1906, requesting permission to present to the grammar schools of South Boston a framed reproduction of the Coats of Arms of the Thirteen Original States.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of the same member, the Board approved said application, and extended its thanks to said Chapter for the generous and appropriate gift it proposes to make.

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USE OF DEARBORN SCHOOL HALL FOR BASKET BALL PURPOSES.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to make suitable alterations in the hall of the old Dearborn School-house in order that it may conveniently be used for basket ball purposes by high school pupils.

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STATEMENT OF APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES FOR ELEVEN MONTHS, FINANCIAL YEAR, 1906-07.

The following statement of appropriation and expenditures of the Board for eleven months of the financial year 1906-07, prepared by the Auditor, was received.

	App'n	Dec. draft	Expenditures for 11 mos.	Balance unexp'd
Salaries of instructors	$2,802,000	$257,029.42	$2,572,581.14	$229,418.86
Officers	87,700	7,868.95	78,727.65	8,972.35
Janitors	231,000	19,571.20	208,000.84	22,999.16
Fuel and light	161,300	4,015.75	129,815.18	31,484.82
Supplies and Inc.	189,100	15,797.94	168,717.46	20,382.54
Totals	$3,471,100	$304,283.26	$3,157,842.27	$313,257.73

As compared with last year:—

Salaries of Instructors increased	$100,668.57	
Salaries of Officers increased	1,290.71	
Salaries of Janitors increased	4,053.39	
		$106,012.67
Fuel and Light decreased	$32,464.35	
Sup. and Inc. decreased	14,644.16	
		47,108.51
Total increase 11 months		$58,904.16

It is expected that about $15,000 will be saved from this year's appropriation to meet next year's expenses.

Placed on file.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 8:55 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

December 3, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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APPOINTMENTS ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

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AMENDMENT TO RULES AND REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order, laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That the rules and regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 112 of the rules. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following: He may suspend the school sessions as provided in the regulations. (See Section 204.)

Section 204, paragraph 3 of the regulations. Strike out the paragraph and substitute in place thereof the following:—

3. The superintendent may on account of stormy weather suspend the sessions of all day schools for the entire day by causing the proper signal to be given at 7:45 o'clock A.M. The principal of each elementary school district may on account of stormy weather suspend the afternoon session of elementary schools in his district by giving notice to the pupils before dismissal at 12 o'clock noon. The principal shall report to the superintendent each case of suspension of the sessions under this regulation.

Passed.

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SIGNAL SYSTEM FOR SUSPENSION OF SCHOOL SESSIONS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was:—

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed to investigate and report as to the cost of connecting the various school-houses with the Mason-street Building so that a direct signal may be given for the suspension of school sessions.

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AMENDMENT TO REGULATIONS.

The Chairman stated the question was on the passage of the following order, laid over at the last meeting:—

ORDERED, That the regulations be amended as follows:—

Section 291, paragraph 9, insert the following immediately after the fifth line on page 50:—In the East Boston High School one special instructor in drawing and manual training may be appointed, instead of an assistant to which the school is entitled under the regulations.

Passed.

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CLAIM OF GUISEPPI PISANO.

A vote of the Committee on Claims of the Board of Aldermen, under date of Nov. 23, 1906, to recommend settlement of the claim of Guiseppi Pisano for compensation for injuries caused by the iron gate of the Christopher Columbus School falling on him, April 10, 1906, by payment of the sum of two hundred dollars, was received through His Honor the Mayor.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved that the Committee on Claims be respectfully informed, through His Honor, the Mayor, that this Board does not understand that it has any authority to approve the payment of such claims, and consequently does not desire to assume any responsibility with reference thereto. If this Board, however, is desired to make an inquiry into the circumstances attending the matter, it will do so and report the facts as ascertained.

The motion passed.

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DANCING PARTIES, LOCAL PRIZE DRILLS.

Pursuant to the action taken at the previous meeting, George C. Mann, as Secretary of the Head-Masters' Association, appeared, and was heard with reference to the recommendation of said association that dancing parties in connection with local prize drills be discontinued.

Laid over for further consideration.

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ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, EDWARD EVERETT DISTRICT.

The Secretary presented a communication addressed to him by William Hoag, the first signer of the petition received at the previous meeting for the establishment of a new grammar school district in Dorchester, under date of Nov. 28, 1906, requesting the cancellation of the hearing appointed by the Board to be held at its meeting on Dec. 10, 1906; also communications from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Nov. 28 and Nov. 30, relating to the same subject.

Laid over for further consideration, and the Secretary directed to notify the signers of the aforesaid petition that in accordance with the request of Mr. Hoag the appointment of a hearing for Dec. 10 is cancelled.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Emerson District—Mary E. Lowder, from Oct. 3 to 31, 1906, inclusive.

Norcross District—Margaret M. Kenney, from Dec. 3, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—Hortense E. Wales, from Dec. 3, 1906.

Approved.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

West Roxbury High School—Mabel E. Woodworth, assistant instructor, Nov. 19, 1906, one day.

Sewing—Helena M. Doherty, teacher, from Dec. 3 to 21, 1906, inclusive.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

East Boston High School—Augustus F. Rose, special instructor of drawing and manual training, from Jan. 2, 1907.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Edward Everett District—Charlotte Rafter, assistant.
Harvard District—Alice C. Ringer, assistant, kindergarten.
Hyde District—Ellen J. Stuart, assistant.
Sherwin District—Rose L. Hurvitz, Mary C. Rogers, Catherine G. Sheahan, Clara S. Ziersch, assistants.
Warren District—Anna H. Cullen, assistant.
Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Central High School—Assistant, Ernest G. Hapgood, from Nov. 27, 1906.
Bigelow School—Assistants, Helen McNeil, from Nov. 20, 1906; Francis J. Emery from Nov. 26, 1906.
Lincoln School—First assistant, Andrew S. Thomson, Nov. 16, 1906, one evening.
Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:
Hugh O'Brien District—Cora F. Taylor, assistant, Oct. 12, 1906, one day.
Lyman District—Mary E. McCormack, assistant, Nov. 23, 1906, one day.
Martin District—Mary V. Gormley, assistant, from Dec. 3, 1906, until Mar. 1, 1907.
Mather District—Carrie F. Parker, assistant, from Nov. 12, until 23, 1906, inclusive, ten days.
Thomas N. Hart District—Ella M. Warner, assistant, from Nov. 26, until 28, 1906, two days.
Warren District—M. Josephine Smith, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1906, until Apr. 1, 1907.
Sewing—Katherine M. Mahoney, teacher, Nov. 23, 1906, one-half day; Emma A. Waterhouse, teacher, Nov. 23, 1906, one-half day.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, without pay:—
Mary Hemenway District—Mary A. Maloney, assistant, from Dec. 3, 1906, until Dec. 3, 1907.
Sewing—Mary F. Doherty, teacher, from Dec. 1, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the names of seven minors to be licensed to sell newspapers.
Issue of licenses authorized accordingly.

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SALARIES OF PRINCIPALS, EVENING ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS.

The Superintendent offered the following:
WHEREAS, By oversight the Board has omitted to fix the compensation of principals of evening elementary schools and educational centres having an average attendance of one hundred pupils or more, it is hereby
ORDERED, That the salaries of principals of evening elementary schools and educational centres having an average monthly attendance of one hundred pupils or more is hereby established at the rate of twenty-five dollars ($25) per week for the term 1906-07, and dating from Oct. 8, 1906.
Passed.

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TRAVELLING EXPENSES, TEACHERS OF DISCIPLINARY CLASSES.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to expend a sum not to exceed fifty dollars ($50) in payment of the travelling expenses of teachers of disciplinary classes who visit other schools.

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CAR TICKETS, PUPILS OF DISCIPLINARY CLASSES.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That the Auditor be authorized to furnish car tickets to the teachers of disciplinary classes, to be distributed to the pupils of said classes who, in the judgment of the assistant superintendent in charge, are entitled to them.

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SPECIAL EXAMINATIONS, EVENING SCHOOL CERTIFICATES.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to order special examinations for evening school certificates whenever vacancies exist and there are no desirable candidates holding the proper certificates.

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CLASS IN DRAWING, BIGELOW EVENING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Nov. 28, 1906, recommending that a class in mechanical drawing be established in the Bigelow Evening School, beginning Jan. 2, 1907, and continuing throughout the remainder of the evening school term.
Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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BILL OF SAMUEL T. McCLENNAN.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 1, 1906, on the bill of Samuel T. McClennan, janitor of the Nathaniel Hawthorne Schoolhouse, referred to him Nov. 26, stating that this is one of several bills for work of a similar nature presented to the Schoolhouse Commission; that the janitors were given to understand by representatives of said Commission that they would receive extra compensation for the work; that he had received a communication from the Chairman of the Schoolhouse Commission on the subject, to which he had replied to the effect that it is the duty of the janitors to care for the buildings under their charge and prevent deterioration as far as lies in their power, and enclosing a copy of said reply.
Laid over for further consideration.

APPOINTMENT OF A JANITOR AS SPECIAL POLICE OFFICER.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 30, 1906, enclosing an application from, and recommending the appointment of, Michael Cunningham, janitor, as a special police officer.

Placed on file, and the recommendation adopted.

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JANITORSHIP, FREDERIC A. WHITNEY SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 1, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Frederic A. Whitney School-house.

Placed on file, and the transfer of Augustus Robinson, the first applicant on the list, to said position was approved, to date from Jan. 1. 1907.

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JANITORSHIP, ADAMS-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 1, 1906, enclosing the resignation of Ellen James as janitor of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses, Dorchester, to take effect Dec. 1, 1906.

Placed on fire, and the resignation accepted.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Secretary was instructed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission for the names of eligible candidates to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Adams-street School-house, there being no applicants for transfer to said position.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 1, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses, he had appointed Lauchlin McDonald for a period of ten days or less, to date from Dec. 1, 1906.

Placed on file.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 1, 1906, of the services performed by the regular substitute janitor, during the period from Nov. 19 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, ATHERTON BUILDING SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 27, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Atherton Building School-house, caused by the illness of the regular janitor, he had appointed Grant Banks for a period of ten days or less, to date from Nov. 27, 1906.

Placed on file.

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PAYMENT TO GRANT BANKS

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 1, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Grant Banks the sum of $2.73 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Atherton Building School-house, on Nov. 27 and 28, 1906.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Grant Banks the sum of two and 73-100 dollars ($2.73) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Atherton Building School-house on Nov. 27 and 28, 1906.

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SALARY OF MARIE E. NOLAN.

A communication was received from Marie E. Nolan, stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Nov. 30, 1906, requesting that her salary be fixed at the rate of $50 per month, to date from Dec. 1, 1906.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of Marie E. Nolan, stenographer and typewriter in the office of the Schoolhouse Custodian, be fixed at the rate of six hundred dollars ($600) per annum, to date from Dec. 1, 1906, and until otherwise ordered.

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AMENDMENT TO RULES.

Mr. Ellis offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:—

Sect. 87. Strike out the section and substitute in place thereof the following:—

Sect. 87. He may, subject to the approval of the Board, or, if time does not permit, with the consent, in writing, of the principal of the school or district, suspend, for the good of the service, any janitor or engineer for a period not exceeding ten days, but shall immediately, in the latter event, report such action to the Board, in writing, with full particulars.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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REPORTS ON TRUANCY.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be authorized to withdraw the circular issued from his office on Mar. 3, 1906, requiring masters to make special monthly reports to him of cases of absence of pupils without sufficient reason.

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PAYMENT TO THEODORE ISAAC.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Theodore Isaac the sum of twenty-four dollars ($24) for services rendered as interpreter in the William Wirt Warren Branch of the Washington Allston Evening School, during twelve evenings from Oct. 9 to 24, 1906.

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COOPERATION OF BUSINESS MEN, WORK OF HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was

ORDERED, That the President of the Chamber of Commerce, the President of the Merchants' Association, and the President of the Associated Board of Trade be invited to formulate a plan to secure the cooperation of business men in the work of the High School of Commerce.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 7:05 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

TRADES UNION LABOR COUNCIL

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

December 10, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 5:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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APPOINTMENT ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointment on probation of Augustus F. Rose, as special instructor of drawing and manual training in the East Boston High School, to date from Jan. 2, 1907, laid over at the previous meeting.

On motion of the Superintendent, the date of said appointment was amended to read Dec. 31, 1906.

The appointment as amended was approved.

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CLAIM OF GUISEPPI PISANO.

The vote of the Committee on Claims of the Board of Aldermen, under date of Nov. 23, 1906, with respect to the claim of Guiseppi Pisano, on which action was taken at the last meeting, being returned with the request that this Board investigate the facts in the matter and make a report thereon to the Mayor, the matter was referred to the Superintendent for investigation and report.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations reported by the Superintendent were presented:—

Edward Everett District—Margaret C. Murdoch, assistant, Jan. 15, 1907.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Myrtle M. C. Linkletter, assistant, Jan. 1, 1907.

Wells District—Henrietta A. Sullivan, assistant, Dec. 10, 1906.

Accepted.

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The following appointments, confirmations and transfer by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Washington Allston District—Rosanna M. Dowd, from Dec. 3, 1906; Sarah G. Stowers, from Nov. 19 to 28, 1906, inclusive.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Roxbury High School—Edward L. Underwood, junior-master, from Dec. 4, 1906.

Lyman District—William A. Hoyt, assistant, from Dec. 3, 1906.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHER.

Mechanic Arts High School—Louis R. Wells, instructor, from Dec. 17, 1906.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

Charlestown High School—Arthur J. Fotch, special assistant, from Dec. 10, 1906.

Dorchester High School—Mary A. Ward, special assistant, from Dec. 10, 1906.

Edward Everett District—Etta C. Rochefort, assistant, third year, from Jan. 15, 1907.

Assistant to Director in Drawing—Amy R. Whittier, from Dec. 31, 1906.

Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

West Roxbury High School—Leon C. Colman, special instructor of commercial branches.

Comins District—Mary A. Mahoney, Mary E. O'Donnell, assistants; Marion R. Stevens, assistant, kindergarten.

Emerson District—Ona I. Nolan, assistant.

Jefferson District—Vincent A. Keenan, assistant.

Lyman District—Bernice A. Hill, assistant, kindergarten.

Phillips District—Agnes B. Doyle, assistant.

Thomas Gardner District—Grace E. Hackett, assistant.

Sewing—Katherine M. Mahoney, Ethel M. Rae, teachers.

Approved.

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TRANSFER.

Bigelow District—Julia G. Leary, assistant, to the same position in the Oliver Hazard Perry District, from Dec. 31, 1906.

Placed on file.

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EVENING SCHOOL.

Wells School—Interpreter, Solomon Feingold, from Dec. 4, 1906.

Approved.

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EMERGENCY LIST.

Ella F. Monroe, William H. Nelson, E. Mabel Nichols, Harriet C. Taylor, Katherine McNamara, Edith S. Schweitzer, Gertrude F. Mendel.

Approved.

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ATTENDANT IN A KINDERGARTEN.

Comins District—(Columbus-avenue Kindergarten) Janetta Oldham, from Nov. 14, 1906.

Placed on file.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—

English High School—James Mahoney, master, from Dec. 10 until Dec. 14, 1906, five days.

Roxbury High School—Charlotte W. Montgomery, assistant, from Dec. 5 until Dec. 11, 1906, three days.

Christopher Gibson District—Bessie C. Jones, assistant, from Nov. 21 until Nov. 23, 1906, three half days.

Brimmer District—Ellen G. Hayden, assistant, from Dec. 5 until Dec. 7, 1906, two days.

Dwight District—Clara P. Wardwell, assistant, Nov. 21, 1906, one day. Delia L. Viles, assistant, from Dec. 19 until Dec. 22, 1906, three days.

Eliot District—Harriet E. Lampee, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1906, until Feb. 1, 1907. Nannie May, assistant, from Nov. 19, 1906, until Jan. 7, 1907.

George Putnam District—Mary L. Crowe, assistant, Nov. 26, 1906, one day.

Hancock District—Katherine F. Doherty, assistant, Dec. 5, 1906, one day. Agnes L. Dodge, assistant, from Dec. 3, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

Harvard District—Sarah V. Porter, assistant, Nov. 28, 1906, one-half day.

Hyde District—A. Gertrude O'Bryan, assistant, from Nov. 19, 1906, until Jan. 1, 1907.

Longfellow District—Hilda G. Watkins, assistant, Dec. 12, 1906, one day. Lydia W. Jones, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1906, until Apr. 1, 1907.

Lyman District—Grace R. Neeley, assistant, Nov. 21, 1906, one day.

Norcross District—Eleanor J. Cashman, first assistant in charge, Nov. 22, 1906, one-half day. Catherine H. Murphy, assistant, from Dec. 1, 1906, until Apr. 1, 1907.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Elizabeth A. Freeto, assistant, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day.

Rice District—Clara C. Dunn, assistant, Nov. 13, 1906, one day. Lucy Kummer, first assistant, kindergarten, Nov. 28, 1906, one-half day.

Sewing—Emma G. Welch, teacher, from Dec. 1, 1906, until Apr. 1, 1907.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to each of the following named teachers for the terms specified, without loss of pay:—

Phillips District—Mary E. Towle, assistant, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day.

Washington District—Theresa A. Dacey, Alice A. Doherty, Anna T. Nolan, Charlotte R. Weild, assistants, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified without pay:—

Dorchester High School—Lucy A. Frost, assistant, from Jan. 4, 1907, until Jan. 4, 1908.

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On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence to study and travel, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified:—

Dwight District—Anna J. O'Brien, assistant, from Jan. 1 until May 1, 1907.

Jefferson District—Helen C. Laughlin, assistant, from Jan. 2 until Mar. 23, 1907.

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MINORS' LICENSES.

The Superintendent submitted the name of one minor to be licensed to sell newspapers.

Issue of license authorized accordingly.

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The Superintendent reported that he had revoked the license of one minor to sell newspapers, for violation of the conditions on which said license was granted.

Approved.

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ADDITION TO FRANCIS PARKMAN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 10, 1906, reporting that he is in receipt of a communication from the Schoolhouse Commission stating that in accordance with the request of the School Committee, dated Dec. 26, 1905, it proposes to erect an addition to the Francis Parkman School-house.

Placed on file.

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CERTIFICATES, ASSISTANTS TO DIRECTOR IN DRAWING.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 7, 1906, reporting that a special examination has been held of candidates for certificates of qualification to serve as assistants to the director in drawing on Nov. 23 and 24, 1906, and as a result thereof the Board has granted certificates to the following-named persons whose respective ratings are prefixed to their names:—

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
884	Helen E. Cleaves	Nov. 24, 1912
834	Amy R. Whittier	Nov. 24, 1912
769	Leona Hope	Nov. 24, 1912
748	Charles E. Newell	Nov. 24, 1912

Placed on file.

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS, DAY HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 7, 1906, reporting that in accordance with the order passed Nov. 12, 1906, authorizing the Board of Superintendents to grant certificates, special assistants, day high schools, to such graduates of the Boston Normal School as shall be found qualified, and to transfer such candidates to the list of persons eligible for appointment as special assistants in day high schools, an examination was held on Nov. 24, 1906, and as a result thereof the Board has granted such certificates to Arthur J. Fotch and Mary A. Ward. The entire eligible list of special assistants, day high schools, including those previously rated being as follows:—

Rating.	Name.	Certificate Expires.
849	Cora W. Taylor	Oct. 6, 1912
823	Mabel E. Woodworth	June 1, 1908
815	Georgiana V. Wait	June 1, 1908
792	Clara A. Hawthorne	June 1, 1908
788	Annie F. Brown	Oct. 6, 1912
750	Christina M. McCarthy	June 1, 1908
697	Mary A. Ward	Nov. 24, 1912
592	Arthur J. Fotch	Nov. 24, 1912

Placed on file.

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EXPENDITURE, SUPPLEMENTARY AND REFERENCE BOOKS IN HISTORY, HIGH AND LATIN SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 7, 1906, calling the attention of the Board to the fact that since 1890, with the exception of two years, an expenditure for the purchase of supplementary and reference books for Latin and high schools, amounting to ten cents for each pupil in the history classes has been annually authorized, and recommending that an amount not exceeding $500 be expended for this purpose during the current year.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That an expenditure not exceeding five hundred dollars ($500) for the purchase of supplementary and reference books in history for use in the Latin and high schools is hereby authorized; and the Board of Superintendents is hereby directed to apportion this expenditure among the different schools.

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JANITORSHIP, ADAMS-STREET AND PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Dec. 8, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Dec. 3, 1906, reporting that the following-named persons had been certified by the Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses: George P. Young, Edward L. Menz, Willard Hawes.

Placed on file.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 10, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses, caused by the resignation of the regular janitor, he had reappointed Lauchlin McDonald for a period of ten days or less, to date from Dec. 11, 1906.

Placed on file, and the reappointment approved.

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PAYMENT TO LAUCHLIN McDONALD.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 10, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Lauchlin McDonald the sum of $13 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses, from Dec. 1 to Dec. 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Lauchlin McDonald the sum of thirteen dollars ($13) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses, from Dec. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 10, 1906, of the services performed by the regular substitute janitor, during the period from Dec. 1 to 10, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

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JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 10, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, caused by the illness of the regular janitor, he had reappointed William R. Clark for a period of ten days or less, to date from Dec. 5, 1906.

Placed on file, and the reappointment approved.

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PAYMENT TO WILLIAM R. CLARK.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 10, 1906, recommending that there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of $13.67 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house from Nov. 25 to Dec. 4, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of thirteen and 67-100 dollars ($13.67) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house from Nov. 25 to Dec. 4, 1906, inclusive.

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JANITORSHIP, NOBLE, NOBLE ANNEX AND PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 8, 1906, containing a list of applicants for transfer to the janitorship of the Noble, Noble Annex and Portable School-houses.

Placed on file, and the Board approved the transfer of William A. McManus, now janitor of the Harvard Hill School-house, the first applicant on the list, to said position, to date from Jan. 1, 1907.

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SUSPENSION OF SCHOOL SESSIONS ON ACCOUNT OF STORMY WEATHER.

A petition was received from Alice C. Martin, Etta Vincent and three hundred ninety-nine others, mothers of children attending the elementary day schools, that greater consideration be shown in the matter of omitting the morning or afternoon sessions whenever the inclemency of the weather demands it throughout the year.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, referred to the Superintendent with instructions to inform the petitioners of the action of the Board at its last meeting whereby the rules and regulations were amended so as to provide that school sessions may be suspended because of stormy weather at any time of the year, and the principal of each elementary school district may for the same reason suspend the afternoon session of the schools in his own district by giving notice to his pupils before dismissal at 12 o'clock noon.

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APPROVAL OF PAYROLLS AND BILLS.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the payrolls and bills for the month of December, 1906, prepared and certified to by the Auditor and the Business Agent, be approved on behalf of this Board by Mr. Brock.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board adjourned at 6:24 o'clock P.M.

Attest—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

December, 17, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 7:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members except Mr. Ellis.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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APPOINTMENTS ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointments of teachers on probation as reported by the Superintendent, and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointments were approved.

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INTRODUCTION OF IRISH HISTORY IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston,
In Board of Aldermen, December 13, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested to inform this board at its next meeting how many copies of text-books on Irish history have been purchased for the public schools and the number of such text-books assigned to each school.

Passed.

A true copy.

Attest:—

John T. Priest,
Asst. City Clerk.

Placed on file, and the Secretary instructed to transmit the desired information to the Board of Aldermen.

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PUBLICATION OF MERIT LIST.

The following communication was received:—

City of Boston.
In Board of Aldermen, December 13, 1906.

ORDERED, That the School Committee be requested by this board to publish the so-called merit list for teachers, with any revisions or amendments, and also to publish a list of appointments of teachers made from said merit list during the past year, giving the position on the list in each case.

Passed.

A true copy.

Attest:—

John T. Priest,
Asst. City Clerk.

Laid over.

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LIGHTING OF ENTRANCE TO PUBLIC LATIN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Dec. 11, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Oct. 22, relative to providing a suitable outside light for the Dartmouth street entrance of the Public Latin School-house, stating that the order has been complied with.

Placed on file.

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COMPLETION OF MODEL SCHOOL BUILDING.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Dec. 11, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Nov. 5, 1906, relative to completing the Model School Building of the Normal School group according to the present plans with the least possible delay, stating that it has issued orders for the completion of said building, and the work is now under way.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Dec. 11, 1906, requesting that it be advised if there is to be a name placed on the new Model School Building in order that the architects may be instructed accordingly.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny referred to the special committee on naming of school buildings, appointed Nov. 5, 1906.

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ADDITIONAL ACCOMMODATIONS, QUINCY DISTRICT.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Nov. 5, 1906, relative to providing additional quarters for children of the first three grades in the Quincy District then excluded for want of room, stating that it has rented for three months from Dec. 1, 1906, at a rental of $50 per month, including janitor service, with the privilege of renewal, one room on the first floor in the rear of premises numbered 1008 Washington street, known as "The Boston Female Asylum"; fuel to be furnished by the city.

Placed on file.

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USE OF OLD DEARBORN SCHOOL HALL FOR BASKET BALL PURPOSES.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Commission, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, in response to the order passed by the Board at the meeting of Nov. 26, 1906, relative to making suitable alterations in the hall of the old Dearborn Schoolhouse in order that it may conveniently be used for basket ball purposes by high school pupils, stating that said order has been complied with.

Placed on file.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANTS.

Bigelow District—Mary L. Moran, from Jan 2, 1907.

Franklin District—Lavina M. Grimes, from Dec. 11 to 17, 1906, inclusive; Mary T. Sherry, from Dec. 18, 1906.

Henry L. Pierce District—Genevieve R. Dore, from Dec. 18, 1906.

Oliver Hazard Perry District—Sarah G. Stowers, from Dec. 18, 1906.

Winthrop District—Jessie C. Davidson, from Dec. 17, 1906.

Approved.

ON PROBATION.

Franklin District—Elizabeth Greenman, assistant, from Dec. 14, 1906.
Laid over to the next meeting.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Eliot District—Mary M. McNeil, assistant.
Everett District—Grace D. Hall, assistant.
George Putnam District—M. Alice Costello, assistant, kindergarten.
Oliver Hazard Perry District—Stanley A. Starratt, sub-master; Julia A. Noonan, first assistant, grammar school; Elsie M. Gannon, assistant, kindergarten.
Schools of Cookery—Alice R. Merrick, teacher, three-fifths time.
Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOL.

Lincoln School—Assistant, Dorothy Taft, Dec. 12, 1906 (one evening).
Approved.

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ATTENDANTS IN KINDERGARTENS.

Blackinton District—(Paul Jones Kindergarten) Gertrude M. Nolan, from Dec. 6, 1906.
Lewis District—(Sarah J. Baker Kindergarten) Elizabeth Felker, from Dec. 10, 1906.
Martin District—(Farragut Kindergarten) Helen E. Finnerty, from Dec. 18, 1906.
Placed on file.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:—
Girls' High School—Margaret C. Brawley, special assistant instructor in chemistry, Dec. 21, 1906, one day.
Blackinton District—Alice M. Macdonald, assistant, Dec. 5, 1906, one-half day.
Dearborn District—Lizzie M. Hersey, assistant, from Dec. 12, 1906, until Apr. 12, 1907. Eloise B. Walcott, assistant, from Jan. 2, until Apr. 2, 1907.
Hyde District—Alice G. Mace, assistant, from Dec. 6, until Dec. 11, 1906, two and one-half days.
Jefferson District—Edith E. Cox, assistant, from Dec. 14 until Dec. 21, 1906, six days.
Lowell District—Eliza C. Fisher, master's assistant, from Jan. 1, until May 1, 1907.
Mary Hemenway District—Mary F. McMorrow, assistant, Dec. 10, 1906, one-half day.
Oliver Hazard Perry District—Elizabeth A. Nash, assistant, Dec. 12, 1906, one-half day.
Prince District—Annie C. Murdock, assistant, Dec. 10, 1906, one-half day.
Thomas N. Hart District—Laura J. Gerry, assistant, Dec. 12 and 13, 1906, two days.
Washington District—Alice A. Doherty, assistant, Dec. 11, 1906, one-half day.
Sewing—Julia A. Skilton, teacher, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day.

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The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That leave of absence without loss of pay be granted Frank V. Thompson, Head-Master of the High School of Commerce, from Jan. 2 until Jan. 18, 1907, inclusive, that he may visit educational institutions in other cities.
On motion of Mr. Brock, the rules were suspended and the order passed.

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On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence to study, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified:—
Dorchester High School—Edith S. Cushing, assistant, from Feb. 9, 1907, until Feb. 9, 1908.

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On the report of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers for the terms specified, without loss of pay:—
Eliot District—Ellen G. Bird, Etta C. Ernst, assistants, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day each.
Frothingham District—Lena E. Campbell, Mabel A. Collins, Nellie L. Cullis, Mary E. Delaney, Theresa E. Hayes, Grace A. T. Hefron, Fannie M. Lamson, Abbie C. McAuliffe, Margaret A. Mernin, Jennie L. Quirk, Martha Yeaton, assistants, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day each.
Hancock District—Margaret D. Mitchell, first assistant in charge, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day.
Harvard District—Henry C. Parker, master; Darius Hadley, sub-master; Sarah E. Leonard, master's assistant; Abbie M. Libby, first assistant, grammar school; Marcella C. Coyle, Agnes A. Herlihy, first assistants in charge; Georgiana Benjamin, Grace M. Broaders, Elizabeth G. Desmond, Sarah R. Dodge, Mabel P. Foster, Caroline E. Gary, S. Janet Jameson, Fannie E. Jennison, Mary C. Leonard, Sarah V. Porter, Isabel A. Smith, Laura F. Wentworth, Louisa A. Whitman, Lucy C. Wiig, Lana J. Wood, Sarah J. Worcester, assistants, elementary school; Sallie Bush, Eliza A. Maguire, first assistants, kindergarten; Hattie F. Mason, Alice C. Ringer, assistants, kindergarten, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day each.
Prescott District—Mary R. Fitzgerald, assistant, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day.
Schools of Cookery—Roberta M. Cummins, teacher, Dec. 6, 1906, one-half day.

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EQUIPMENT FOR PHYSICAL LABORATORY, MECHANIC ARTS HIGH SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, stating that he is in receipt of a communication from the principal of the Mechanic Arts High School setting forth the need for equipment of the physical laboratory in that school, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the purchase of physical apparatus specified in the schedule submitted by the principal of the Mechanic Arts High School is hereby authorized; the expenditure therefor not to exceed one thousand three hundred fifty dollars ($1,350).
The communication was placed on file.
Mr. Thomas J. Kenny moved as an amendment to the foregoing order that the matter be placed in the hands of the Auditor and Superintendent with full power to act; provided, that the sum to be expended shall not exceed $1,350.
The amendment was lost, Mr. Thomas J. Kenny voting in the affirmative.
The original order passed.

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EXPENDITURE FOR SUPPLIES AND ASSISTANCE, LABORATORIES IN HIGH SCHOOLS, AND SPECIAL CLASSES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, stating that it has been requested by the Auditor to consider the matter of systematizing the expenditures

in the several high schools owing to the great difference in demand from such schools for supplies and assistance in the various laboratories, and making the following recommendations:—

That in the annual appropriation order for 1907-08 an item be included for pupil assistance in the laboratories and for plants, minerals, and other incidental expenses in connection with the study of botany, zoology, chemistry and physics in high schools, exclusive of the regular supplies and apparatus.

That the amount of this item based upon the number of pupils now taking these studies would be approximately $1,718, which amount should be apportioned among the various schools as follows:—

Brighton High School	$115
Dorchester High School	250
East Boston High School	150
English High School	200
Girls' High School	350
Roxbury High School	115
South Boston High School	135
West Roxbury High School	150
Charlestown High School	50
Public Latin School	35
Mechanic Arts High School	140
Girls' Latin School	28
	$1,718

That an expenditure not exceeding one-third of the above schedule be allowed for the same purpose for that part of the current school year extending from Sept. 12, 1906, to Jan. 31, 1907.

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That an item be included in the annual appropriation order for 1907-08 for material aside from the regular supplies to be furnished the special classes for defective children, based upon an expenditure of $1 per pupil. The amount of such item according to the number of pupils at present attending such classes would be $105.

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In connection with the foregoing Mr. Thomas J. Kenny offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the expenditure of an amount not exceeding five hundred seventy-five dollars ($575.) for pupil assistance in laboratories, and for plants, minerals, and other incidental expenses in connection with the study of botany, zoology, chemistry and physics in high schools, exclusive of the regular supplies and apparatus, is hereby authorized, said expenditure to cover the period between Sept. 12, 1906, and Jan. 31, 1907, and to be apportioned among the several high and Latin schools by the Board of Superintendents.

The communication and order were laid over for further consideration.

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LIGHTING OF EAST BOSTON HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, relative to the lighting of room 22 in the East Boston High School-house, recently installed therein, stating that he finds that it consists of four seventy-five candle power gas burners, while all other parts of the building are lighted by electricity, and it is the opinion of the Director of Evening Schools, of the teacher, and janitor that the room which is lighted by gas is the best lighted room in the building. The Custodian further states that he believes if the building had the same installation for lighting that is in room 22 a material saving in the cost of such service would result.

The communication was placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to extend the method of lighting room 22 in the East Boston High School-house to include three additional rooms and such corridors as are used in connection with the occupancy of said building for evening school purposes.

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JANITORSHIP, HARVARD HILL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, recommending that the Civil Service Commission be requested to certify the names of eligible candidates to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Harvard Hill School-house, there being no janitors in the service desirous of transfer to said position.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the Secretary was instructed to make requisition upon the Civil Service Commission accordingly.

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COMPENSATION OF JANITOR, ROXBURY EVENING DRAWING SCHOOL.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, stating that the hall of the Old Dearborn School-house was opened for the use of the pupils of the High School of Commerce and the Mechanic Arts High School for athletic purposes on Dec. 3, 1906, and recommending that Edward A. Moore, the regular janitor of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, which is located in said building, receive additional compensation at the rate of $6 per month, to date from Dec. 3, 1906, for extra services required of him in connection with such use of the hall.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That Edward A. Moore, janitor of the Roxbury Evening Drawing School, be paid at the rate of six dollars ($6) per month for services in connection with the occupancy of the hall of the Old Dearborn School-house for athletic purposes by high school pupils during the continuance of such occupancy.

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SIGNAL SYSTEM FOR SUSPENSION OF SCHOOL SESSIONS.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 17, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at its meeting of Dec. 3, 1906, with reference to the cost of connecting the various school-houses with the Mason-street Building so that a direct signal may be given for the suspension of school sessions and transmitting an estimate received from the New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of the expense of making such connection.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, laid on the table.

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WASHING OF KINDERGARTEN FLOORS.

A communication was received from the Director of Kindergartens, under date of Dec. 10, 1906, pursuant to the action taken by the Board at its meeting of Nov. 12, relative to washing kindergarten floors as often as once a week, stating that she considers once a week oftener than is absolutely necessary, provided the floors are properly swept each day with damp sawdust, and recommending the washing of said floors three times a year, namely, on September first, during the Christmas holidays, and during the spring vacation.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, laid on the table.

PAYMENT FOR SERVICES OF INTERPRETERS AT TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Herman Terkel, Azniv Beshgeturian, and Anna M. Peterson the sum of five dollars ($5) respectively, for services rendered as interpreters at the examination held by the Board of Superintendents in November, 1906, of candidates for certificates of qualification as interpreters.

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USE OF HALL, OLD DEARBORN SCHOOL-HOUSE.

An application was received on behalf of the Roxbury League, for permission to occupy the hall in the Old Dearborn School-house, on Saturday evenings until May 1, 1907, also on Dec. 28, 1906, between the hours of 7 and 10 P.M., for the purpose of playing basket ball.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, approved, subject to the usual conditions.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, and under a suspension of the rules, the Board adjourned at 9:53 o'clock P.M. to meet on Monday, Dec. 31, 1906, at 6:30 o'clock P.M.

Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

CITY OF BOSTON.

Proceedings of School Committee.

December 31, 1906.

A regular meeting of the School Committee of the City of Boston was held in the School Committee Chamber, Mason-street Building, at 6:30 o'clock P.M., the Chairman presiding.

Present: All the members.

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APPROVAL OF RECORDS.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, the reading of the records of the last meeting was omitted, the Board approving them as printed.

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APPOINTMENT ON PROBATION.

The Chairman stated the question was on approving the appointment of a teacher on probation as reported by the Superintendent and laid over at the last meeting.

The appointment was approved.

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RESIGNATIONS.

The following resignations reported by the Superintendent were presented:—

East Boston High School—Francis J. Conlin, assistant, Dec. 4, 1906.

Minot District—Etta F. Shattuck, assistant, Jan. 1, 1907.

Accepted.

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The following appointments and confirmations by the Superintendent, certified by him as being in accordance with the rules and regulations, were presented:—

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SPECIAL ASSISTANT.

Rice District—Teresa A. Hurley, from Dec. 3, 1906.

Approved.

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TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

Brimmer District—Veronica E. Doyle, assistant, Dec. 14 and 17, 1906, two days.

George Putnam District—Margaret A. M. Collins, assistant, from Sept. 24, 1906.

Lincoln District—John C. Riley, assistant, from Nov. 6 to 8, 1906, inclusive, three days.

Lyman District—William A. Hoyt, assistant, from Nov. 20, 1906.

Schools of Cookery—Josephine W. Cowan, teacher, from Jan. 2, 1907.

Placed on file.

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REAPPOINTMENT OF TEMPORARY TEACHERS.

George Putnam District—Margaret A. M. Collins, assistant, from Nov. 26, 1906.

Quincy District—Anna M. Meyer, assistant, from Jan. 2, 1907.

Approved.

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ON PROBATION.

Bigelow District—Geraldine I. Donoghue, assistant, from Dec. 31, 1906.

Brimmer District—Edith M. Robertson, assistant, from Dec 31, 1906.

Edward Everett District—Maud J. Bray, assistant, third year, from Dec. 31, 1906.

Lincoln District—Gertrude P. Cole, assistant, third year, from Dec. 31, 1906. Alice F. Moore, assistant, from Dec. 31, 1906.

Minot District—Annie E. Harris, assistant, from Jan. 21, 1907.

Phillips Brooks District—Frances E. Dailey, assistant, from Dec. 31, 1906.

Thomas Gardner District—Jessie L. Sweet, assistant, kindergarten, from Jan. 7, 1907.

Washington District—F. Helene Mayo, assistant, from Jan. 14, 1907.

Manual Training Schools—Olive I. Harris, instructor, from Jan. 8, 1907.

Approved.

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FOR CONFIRMATION.

Blackinton District—Rosa K. Perry, assistant, kindergarten.

Martin District—Anna M. White, first assistant, kindergarten.

Thomas Gardner District—Grace A. Kelleher, assistant.

Approved.

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EVENING SCHOOLS.

Bigelow School—Assistant, S. Winthrop St. Clair, from Jan. 7, 1907. Interpreter, Anita Avieta, from Jan. 7, 1907.

Drawing School—Assistant, Ralph E. Sawyer, from Nov. 12, 1906.

Approved.

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LEAVES OF ABSENCE.

On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence was granted to each of the following-named teachers, for the terms specified:

Bennett District—Ella M. Hastings, assistant, Dec. 18, 1906, one-half day.

Bowdoin District—Mary F. Murphy, assistant, from Jan. 2, until Mar. 2, 1907.

Dudley District—L. Adelaide Colligan, assistant, Nov. 22, until Nov. 27, 1906, three days.

Dwight District—Sara Mock, assistant, Jan. 2, until Jan. 5, 1907, three days.

Edward Everett District—C. Margaret Browne, assistant, Dec. 14, 1906, one day.

Eliot District—Irving M. Norcross, submaster, from Jan. 2, until Mar. 2, 1907.

Emerson District—Mary A. Ford, first assistant, grammar school, Nov. 5, 1906, one-half day.

Frothingham District—Martha J. Bryant, assistant, from Jan. 2, until Mar. 2, 1907.

Harvard District—Darius Hadley, submaster, from Jan. 2, until Apr. 2, 1907.

Lyman District—Hattie Browne, first assistant, kindergarten, Dec. 14, 1906, one day.

Mary Hemenway District—Mary E. Wilbar, assistant, Dec. 18, and Dec. 19, 1906, two half days.

Sherwin District—Clara S. Ziersch, assistant, Dec. 21, 1906, one-half day.

Thomas Gardner District—Mabel J. Neil, assistant, Dec. 17, 1906, one-half day. Eleanor L. Sullivan, assistant, Dec. 19, 1906, one day. Mizpeh B. Zewicker, assistant Dec. 21, 1906, one-half day. Annie L. Ziersch, assistant, Dec. 21, 1906, one-half day.

Washington District—Mary E. Gately, assistant, Dec. 21, 1906, one-half day.

William E. Russell District—Mabel A. Woodward, assistant, Dec. 4, 1906, one day.

Sewing—Harriet E. Browne, teacher, Dec. 14, 1906, one-half day.

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On the report of the Superintendent, leave of absence for rest, under the provisions of section 317 of the regulations, was granted to the following-named teacher for the term specified:—

Oliver Wendell Holmes District—Kate S. Gunn, first assistant, kindergarten, from Jan. 1, 1907, until Jan. 1, 1908.

The Superintendent offered the following:
ORDERED, That Henrietta L. Stumpf, assistant in the Bigelow District, be granted leave of absence from Dec. 11, until Dec. 14, 1906, three and one-half days, without loss of pay.
The rules were suspended, and the order passed.

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ACTING PRINCIPAL, HIGH SCHOOL OF COMMERCE.

The Superintendent reported that he had designated Henry W. Holmes, a junior-master in the High School of Commerce, to take charge of that school during the absence of its head-master, unless the position is otherwise filled in accordance with the rules and regulations.
Placed on file.

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GRADUATING EXERCISES, NORMAL, LATIN AND HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 31, 1906, stating that owing to the holding of examinations for admission to college during the week fixed by section 203 of the regulations for the closing of schools it is desirable to hold the graduating exercises of the Normal, Latin and high schools during the preceding week, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the graduating exercises of the Normal, Latin and high schools for the year 1907 may be held during the second calendar week preceding the 4th of July, on such days and at such hours as may be determined by the respective principals, subject to the approval of the Board of Superintendents.
The communication was placed on file, the rules were suspended, and the order passed.

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CLAIM OF GUISEPPI PISANO.

A communication was received from the Superintendent, under date of Dec. 31, 1906, with respect to the claim of Guiseppi Pisano referred to him for investigation and report at the meeting of Dec. 10 enclosing a report thereon made by Assistant Superintendent Burke.
Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny copies thereof were ordered to be transmitted to His Honor the Mayor.

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ASSIGNMENT OF SPECIAL CLASSES.

A communication was received from the Superintendent under date of Dec. 31, 1906, stating that under the new regulations, the special classes have been placed in direct charge of the principal of the district in which these classes are located, and recommending the passage of the following order:—
ORDERED, That the special classes are hereby assigned to the following districts in which they are located:—
Bigelow, Bowdoin, Dudley, Dwight, Hyde, Lyman, Warren; and that the principals of these districts be directed to include the names of the teachers of these classes on their respective pay-rolls.
Placed on file, and the order passed.

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DATE OF RESIGNATION AND APPOINTMENT OF SUB-MASTER, LAWRENCE DISTRICT.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, it was
ORDERED, That the resignation of George S. Houghton, sub-master in the Lawrence District, take effect Dec. 31, 1906, and that the appointment of Edwin C. Howard as sub-master in the Lawrence District date from Dec. 31, 1906.

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PROBATIONARY TERM OF ARTHUR A. JORDAN.

On the recommendation of the Superintendent, and under a suspension of the rules, it was
ORDERED, That the probationary term of Arthur A. Jordan, sub-master in the Comins District, be extended to Sept. 1, 1907.

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STATISTICS OF PUPILS IN FIRST THREE GRADES.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 14, 1906, transmitting statistics obtained from the principals of elementary districts of pupils enrolled in the first three grades on Dec. 3, 1906, who were ten years of age or more on Sept. 12, 1906.
The following is a summary of the aforesaid statistics:—

NUMBER OF PUPILS.

Grade I	38
Grade II	104
Grade III	477
Total	619

REASONS WHY SUCH PUPILS WERE NOT ADVANCED FURTHER.

Entered school late	91
Came from Private Schools	43
Came from other towns or cities	61
Foreign children	131
Illness and absence caused thereby	115
Parents moving about	31
Absence for other cause	29
Mentally weak or slow	107
Deafness	3
Blindness	1
Truancy	2
Laziness	1
Neglected	3
Inattention	1
Total	619

Placed on file.

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EXPENDITURE FOR ASSISTANCE AT TEACHERS' EXAMINATIONS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 21, 1906, requesting the School Committee to authorize the expenditure of a sum not exceeding $600 for the purpose of providing assistance at the teachers' examinations for the school year 1907-08.
Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That the expenditure of a sum not exceeding six hundred dollars ($600) is hereby authorized in payment for such assistance as the Board of Superintendents may need at the teachers' examinations for the school year 1907-08.

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EXPENDITURE FOR SUPPLIES AND ASSISTANCE, LABORATORIES IN HIGH SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 21, 1906, recommending that its communication of Dec. 17, 1906, suggesting that an item be included in the annual appropriation order for the year 1907-08 for pupil assistance in laboratories, and for plants, minerals, and other incidental expenses in

high schools, be amended by changing the apportionment for the Girls' Latin School from $28 to $75, and the total amount from $1,718 to $1,765.

Placed on file, and the communication of the Board of Superintendents amended accordingly.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board took up for consideration the communication from the Board of Superintendents relating to this subject received at the meeting of Dec. 17, and the order offered by him at the same meeting (see pp. 250 and 251), and on motion of the same member, the Board acted thereon as follows:—

The recommendations of the Board of Superintendents, as amended, with respect to the insertion of items in the annual appropriation order for 1907-08 were adopted.

The order offered by Mr. Thomas J. Kenny authorizing an expenditure of an amount not exceeding $575 to cover the period from Sept. 12, 1906, to Jan. 31, 1907, passed.

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REFERENCE BOOKS, HIGH AND LATIN SCHOOLS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 21, 1906, recommending that The History of The United States, by James Wilford Garner and Henry Cabot Lodge, with a historical review by James B. McMaster, Books I, II, III, and IV, be authorized for use as reference books in the high and Latin schools, one copy to be furnished each school.

Referred to the next School Board.

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EDUCATIONAL MAGAZINES FOR USE OF BOARD OF SUPERINTENDENTS.

A communication was received from the Board of Superintendents, under date of Dec. 21, 1906, requesting that the School Committee authorize subscriptions for educational magazines for the offices of the Board of Superintendents to an amount not exceeding $25 for the ensuing financial year.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That an expenditure not exceeding twenty-five dollars ($25) for subscriptions for educational magazines for the offices of the Board of Superintendents during the ensuing financial year is hereby authorized.

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LIST OF CANDIDATES ELIGIBLE FOR APPOINTMENT AS TEACHERS.

The first list of candidates eligible for appointment as teachers in the public schools revised and completed December, 1906, prepared by the Board of Superintendents, School Document No. 15, 1906, was presented and placed on file.

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On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the following communication be transmitted to the Board of Aldermen in response to the order received at the last meeting of this Board, requesting the School Committee to publish the so-called merit list for teachers, with any revisions or amendments, and also to publish a list of appointments of teachers made from said merit list during the past year, giving the position on the list in each case:—

The Board transmits herewith a list of candidates eligible for appointment to permanent positions as teachers in the public day schools, revised and completed to date, School Document No. 15, 1906.

This document comprises the first list of candidates eligible for appointment on probation to permanent positions in the public day schools of Boston. It contains the names of all candidates rated in June, 1906, and printed in School Document No. 7, 1906, with the following exceptions: (1) Those appointed to permanent positions in the day school service before June, 1906; (2) those whose names have been removed from the lists by request, as provided in the rules; (3) those who have died since the publication of that document.

It also contains the names of candidates entitled to rating on June 1, 1906, and who have applied therefor after the publication of Document No. 7, 1906, and before October 15, 1906, which was the final date established for revising and completing the first eligible list, and of those entitled to a rating by having successfully passed examinations held since June 1, 1906.

The names of those candidates who have been appointed to permanent positions in the day school service since the adoption of the merit system of appointment in June, 1906, to and including December, 1906, are designated by a †, and these appointments have been made in regular sequence from the highest three on the rated list at the time the appointments were made. If more than two names precede the last one appointed on any list, all but two of those so preceding have declined appointment, except in cases where the names of candidates entitled to and receiving ratings subsequent to the publication of Document No. 7, 1906, as specified in the preceding paragraph, have been inserted at the proper places in the various groups.

A number of candidates when reached in their regular order have declined appointment, either to particular positions then vacant or until some future date. In such cases, and at their own election, these candidates have been passed over in favor of others having a lower rating, but retain their standing on the eligible list.

Appointments of principals, directors, temporary teachers, substitutes, special assistants in elementary schools, and teachers in evening and vacation schools, are not governed by this list.

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JANITORSHIP, HARVARD HILL SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Secretary, under date of Dec. 22, 1906, pursuant to the action of the Board at the meeting of Dec. 17, 1906, reporting that the following named persons had been certified by the Civil Service Commission to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Harvard Hill School-house: Justin H. McCarthy, Michael Glasheen and Robert J. Walsh.

Placed on file.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 29, 1906, stating that he had interviewed the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for the janitorship of the Harvard Hill School-house; that Justin H. McCarthy, the first candidate on the list, had declined to accept the position; that both Michael Glasheen and Robert J. Walsh, second and third candidates respectively, desired appointment to said position.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, the appointment of Michael Glasheen, to date from Jan. 1, 1907, to said position was approved.

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JANITORSHIP, ADAMS-STREET AND PORTABLE SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Communications were received from the Schoolhouse Custodian under dates of Dec. 29 and 31, 1906, stating that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Adams-

street and Portable School-houses, he had reappointed Lauchlin McDonald for periods of ten days or less, to date from Dec. 21 and 31, 1906.

Placed on file, and the reappointments approved.

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A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 29, 1906, stating that he had interviewed the three candidates certified by the Civil Service Commission for the janitorship of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses; that George P. Young, the first candidate on the list, had not replied to his letter; that Edward L. Menz, the second candidate, had declined to be considered, and that the third candidate, Willard Hawes, desires to be appointed, and recommending his appointment.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the appointment of Willard Hawes, to date from Jan. 2, 1907, to said position was approved.

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PAYMENT TO LAUCHLIN McDONALD.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 29, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Lauchlin McDonald the sum of $13, for services rendered by him as acting janitor of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses from Dec. 11 to 20, 1906, inclusive; also a communication under date of Dec. 31, 1906, recommending that there be paid to Lauchlin McDonald the sum of $13 for similar services rendered from Dec. 21 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to Lauchlin McDonald the sum of twenty-six dollars ($26) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Adams-street and Portable School-houses, from Dec. 11 to 30, 1906, inclusive.

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JANITORSHIP, WALNUT-STREET SCHOOL-HOUSE.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 31, 1906, reporting that to fill the vacancy in the janitorship of the Walnut-street School-house, caused by the illness of the regular janitor, he had reappointed William R. Clark for a period of two days, Dec. 15 and 16, 1906.

Placed on file, and the reappointment approved.

—

PAYMENT TO WILLIAM R. CLARK.

A communication was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 22, 1906, recommending that there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of $16.40 for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house, from Dec. 5 to 16, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file, and on motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That there be paid to William R. Clark the sum of sixteen and 40-100 dollars ($16.40) for services rendered as acting janitor of the Walnut-street School-house from Dec. 5 to 16, 1906, inclusive.

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SERVICES OF SUBSTITUTE JANITOR.

A report was received from the Schoolhouse Custodian, under date of Dec. 29, 1906, of the services performed by the regular substitute janitor during the period from Dec. 11 to 31, 1906, inclusive.

Placed on file.

APPROPRIATION AND EXPENDITURES FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 1906-07.

The following statement of appropriation and expenditures of the School Committee for the financial year 1906-07, prepared by the Auditor, was received:—

Appropriations available		$3,471,100 00
Expenditures:		
Salaries of instructors	$2,821,314 52	
Salaries of officers	86,929 49	
Salaries of janitors	227,268 09	
Fuel and light	135,575 11	
Supplies and incidentals	180,408 45	
Total expenditures		$3,451,495 66
Balance unexpended		$19,604 34
As compared with last year:		
Salaries of instructors incr'd	$144,313 96	
Salaries of officers incr'd	3,357 42	
Salaries of janitors incr'd	4,534 47	
		$152,205 85
Fuel and light decreased	$27,728 42	
Supplies and incidentals decr'd.	9,910 15	
		$37,638 57
Increase for the year		$114,567 28

Placed on file.

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CANDIDATES FOR POSITION OF TRUANT OFFICERS.

A communication was received from the Civil Service Commission, under date of Dec. 26, 1906, stating that an eligible list of truant officers has been established, and certifying the following-named persons as eligible for appointment: George A. Sargent, Philip Davis, Richard F. Quirk, John J. Sullivan.

Referred to the next School Board.

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ACCESS TO ENGLISH HIGH SCHOOL-HOUSE.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the permission heretofore granted Fred R. Miller, junior-master in the English High School, to be allowed access to that building at reasonable times, and permitted to use the lathe and other tools in the physical laboratory for work to be done for the benefit of the school is hereby extended to the close of the present school year.

—

OPENING OF BATHS, PAUL REVERE SCHOOL.

The Chairman, to whom was referred at the meeting of Nov. 5, the matter of opening the baths in the Paul Revere School-house, to the public under the charge of the Bath Department, made an oral report to the effect that that department was willing to assume charge of such accommodations under certain conditions, and on motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman is hereby authorized to arrange with the Commissioners of the Bath Department for the opening of the baths in the Paul Revere School-house for public evening use, subject to such terms and conditions as he may deem expedient.

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WINTHROP-STREET SCHOOL, ROXBURY.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Chairman be instructed to inform the Trustees of the Rox-

bury Latin School that this Board does not intend at present to dispose of the Winthrop-street School estate in Roxbury.

—

NAMING OF SCHOOL-HOUSES.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, for the special committee appointed Nov. 5, to consider and report as to appropriate names to be given various school buildings, to whom was referred at the last meeting a communication from the Schoolhouse Commission relative to the naming of the new Model School building, reported that his committee unanimously recommended the passage of the following order:—

ORDERED, That the new Model School be named the Patrick A. Collins Model School in honor of the late Mayor Collins.

The order passed unanimously.

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On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, for the same committee, the petition received at the meeting of Oct. 8, 1906, and a further communication received at the meeting of Oct. 15, that the school building now known as the old Dorchester High School be named in honor of the late Dr. Elbridge Smith, the first principal of that school, and who continued for many years as its head-master, were taken from the table.

Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, for the same committee, offered the following:—

ORDERED, That the Old Dorchester High School-house, now occupied by elementary classes be named the Elbridge Smith School in honor of the first principal of the Dorchester High School.

Referred to the next School Board.

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147 RUGGLES-STREET KINDERGARTEN.

On motion of Mr. Brock, it was

ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to consider and report as to the advisability of continuing the kindergarten in the Sherwin District now located in the premises numbered 147 Ruggles street.

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AMENDMENT TO RULES.

Mr. Brock offered the following:

ORDERED, That the rules be amended as follows:

Section 83—Renumber the section 84.

Add the following section—Section 83. He may appoint, subject to the approval of the Board, such messengers as may be necessary for the prompt delivery of communications and small packages required to be transmitted by the Board and its officers.

Referred to the next School Board.

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SALARY OF AMOS M. KEIRSTEAD.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of Amos M. Keirstead, assistant in the Supply Department, be at the rate of three thousand dollars ($3000) per annum, to date from Jan. 1, 1907, and said Keirstead shall furnish at his own expense, in connection with the delivery of supplies, one assistant, two horses and two wagons.

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SALARY OF WILLIAM L. REARDON.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the salary of William L. Reardon, messenger, be established at the rate of eight hundred and forty dollars ($840) per annum, to date from Jan. 1, 1907, until otherwise ordered.

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BEQUEST OF CHARLES E. FRENCH.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the bequests made by the late Charles E. French for providing medals for deserving pupils in the public schools were again referred to the Board of Superintendents for further consideration and report, and the Chairman was requested to consult with that board on the subject.

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AMENDMENTS TO RULES AND REGULATIONS GOVERNING USE OF SCHOOL BUILDINGS.

The Board proceeded to consider the two orders appended to the communication received from the Superintendent at the meeting of Nov. 26, 1906, amending the rules and regulations governing the use of school buildings (see p. 238).

The orders passed.

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KINDERGARTEN FLOORS.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Custodian be instructed, in connection with the cleaning of floors of kindergartens, which the Board now has under consideration, to ascertain and report how the floors of the Massachusetts General Hospital and Boston City Hospital are cleaned and cared for.

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RECESS AND EXECUTIVE SESSION.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, the Board took a recess of five minutes.

At the expiration of the recess the members of the Board reassembled in the School Committee Chamber, and went into executive session.

On motion of Mr. Ellis, the doors were opened.

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ADDITIONAL ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ACCOMMODATIONS, EAST BOSTON.

On motion of Mr. William S. Kenny, it was

ORDERED, That the Schoolhouse Commission be requested to provide additional elementary school accommodations in East Boston by the erection of a building of adequate size, and this Board hereby designates the Blackinton District as the school district within which such accommodations shall be provided.

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ASSISTANTS, DORCHESTER HIGH SCHOOL AND DUDLEY DISTRICT.

On motion of the Superintendent, it was

ORDERED, That the arrangement entered into by this Board on Jan. 12, 1906, by the transfer of Frances Zirngiebel to the Dorchester High School, and the appointment of Evelyn G. McGinley in the Dudley District to fill the vacancy created by the transfer of Miss Zirngiebel, be, and the same hereby is, completed by the appointment on probation of these two teachers to the respective positions which they now hold, viz., Frances Zirngiebel, assistant, Dorchester High School, first year; Evelyn G. McGinley, assistant, Dudley District, fourth year; both to date from Dec. 31, 1906.

NURSES, ELEMENTARY DAY SCHOOLS.

On motion of Mr. Storrow, it was
ORDERED, That the Superintendent be requested to consider and report with reference to the desirability of nurses in the elementary day schools, and the number required for such service.

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UNFINISHED BUSINESS REFERRED.

On motion of Mr. Thomas J. Kenny, it was
ORDERED, That all unfinished business at the close of this meeting be referred to the next School Board.

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ADJOURNMENT.

On motion of Mr. Brock, the Board adjourned at 10:50 o'clock P. M.
Attest:—

THORNTON D. APOLLONIO,

Secretary.

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